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Exports to come from certified herds

Beef war ends as Gummer yields on BSE

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By MICHAEL HORNSBY IN BRUSSELS AND PHILIP WEBSTER

FRANCE, lifted their bans on British beef, removing the threat of a trade war that had been hanging over the Community for the past week.

In return, Mr John Gummer, the Minister of Agriculture, reluctantly yielded to pressure for tougher health controls to reassure other member states that everything was being done to protect their consumers against any risk from the "mad cow" disease that is killing 250 British cattle a week.

Mr Gummer said the outcome was much better than had seemed likely at one stage during 24 hours of negotiations by EC agriculture ministers. "We were faced with a series of quite impossible and quite outrageous proposals which had nothing to do with science and everything to do with the protection of other people's trading interests," he told a press conference.

The Irish Agriculture Min-ister, Mr Michael O'Kennedy, harbour the BSE agent is who stitched the compromise together in a series of bilateral meetings, said that if agree-ment had not been reached, we would have had a very

serious crisis indeed". The most serious restriction accepted by Mr Gummer was that all beef carcases exported to the rest of the EC must be certified as coming from berds free of bovine spongiform

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Labour 23.5 points ahead

An opinion poll showing a significant growth in Labour's lead over the Conservatives since the publication of its manifesto blueprint was published last night.

The Gallup poll in The Daily Telegraph gave Labour a 23.5 percentage point advantage over the Conservatives, compared with 15 points in a similar poll at the end of April. Parliament, page 7

Saunders denial

Ernest Saunders, the former Guinness chief executive, made his first courtroom denial that he took part in an illegal share support

NHS opposition

Senior hospital consultants are increasingly opposed to government plans to reorga-nize the National Health Service, the British Medical Association says Page 5

Czechs vote

As Czechs and Slovaks prepare to vote in their first free elections for 42 years, leading politicians have been linked with the secret police Page 10

Venice deal

A diplomatic deal is suspected over Britain's reluctance to show its hand over Venice's candidature as site for the world fair in 2000..... Page 18

Coloroll jobs

Some 8,500 jobs were put at risk at Coloroll, the furnishings group, after its banks, which were owed £140 million, sent in receivers Page 25

Rain reigns

The New Zealand cricketers reached 171 for five at close on the rain-interrupted opening day of the first Cornhill

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West Ger- tion. But yesterday be said a France accounting for half of many and Italy yesterday unilateral demand by the West Britain's beef and cattle ex-Germans could not be compared to "an arrangement for

> last year consisted of bone in carcase meat, of which about 6,000 tonnes came from herds that had had a case of BSE. That meat could not now be exported to EC countries.

> Britain also agreed to certify that all exports of boneless beef have been stripped of the offals and other tissues thought to harbour BSE, and that any live cattle exported to the EC are under six months old, at which age they are considered too young to have developed the disease. That requirement merely reinforces existing measures.

Mr Gummer had wanted the export ban limited to the carcases of animals born to infected cows, but yesterday he maintained that the agreement would "extend to our customers abroad some of the protection we give to our customers at home". Offal harbour the BSE agent is removed from beef for home consumption but not from carcases for export.

Mr Gummer could, however, face the accusation that foreigners are better protected than Britons because the latter are not guaranteed that their beef comes from BSE-free herds. The EC's precautionary measures could reinforce demands for tougher measures

ment must be seen merely as a breathing space. Unless we show the rest of the world that countries where there is no full we are determined to eradicate compensation for the slaugh-BSE from our cattle herd, it is ter of infected animals, cases only a matter of time before we find ourselves in quar-

antine again.

He called on the Government to urge the EC to establish a committee of medical experts to complement that of veterinarians to look into human aspects of BSE; introduce random sampling of routinely-slaughtered disease; cull all calves of infected cows; introduce tagging of cows and herd movement books to allow individual animals to be traced; and offer all bona-side scientists

facilities to study BSE. The eight days the ban was in force in France are estimated to have cost some £4 million in lost earnings,

ports. West Germany and Italy are much smaller marthe whole Community.

About 91,000 tonnes of the 112,000 tonnes of British beef to the overall cost. Conservative MPs last night called for commensation for British kets and their restrictions would not have added greatly vative MPs last night called for compensation for British farmers, Mr Roger Knapman, MP for Stroud, said in the Commons the French and Germans should pay: "Or are we to have partners who want

> but none of the obligations?" The Meat and Livestock Commission was disappointed that controls had been imposed on beef that had been declared safe by the EC's top veterinary scientists, but the National Farmers' Union welcomed the agreement as avert-

all the privileges of free trade,

ing a damaging trade war.

M Henri Nallet, the French Agriculture Minister who imposed the ban May 30, said he was satisfied with the agreement. "There are no winners and losers. Only the Community spirit is the winner." Extra precautions had been necessary because BSE was an "ill-understood and very dangerous disease" that had caused widespread anxiety among continental farmers and near-panic among British

French officials yesterday said that no case had of BSE had yet been detected in the French cattle herd. They were responding to the claims of a Greek veterinary surgeon, Mr Georges Mezelas, who suggested in a report to the European Parliament that commons: "This latest agree
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Mr dezelas accepted yesterday that no case of BSE had been detected in France, but added: "It remains the case that in ter of infected animals, cases of the illness may go unreported. It cannot be as-

> the disease is absent" The European Commissioner for Agriculture, Mr Raymond MacSharry, said the Commission would investigate the processes used to manufacture animal protein for cattle feed. Such feed. cows to judge the extent of the containing the ground-up remains of scrapie-infected sheep, is thought to have caused the BSE outbreak in Britain. It is now banned in Britain, but only The Netherlands has introduced a similar restriction.

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Major links date for ERM to inflation By PHILIP WEBSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

MR JOHN Major yesterday membership of the ERM. In

European exchange-rate endorsement for entry, he mechanism when he con- said: "The balance of advanfirmed that he would use the "approximate rate of inflation" to determine when the conditions were right.

use the retail price index as his guide but something comtold MPs that a "good deal of retail price index." progress" had been made on a number of conditions for

renewed speculation about remarks which Tory MPs early British entry into the regarded as the most positive tage is clearly to enter the ERM and, in due course, that is surely what we shall do."

Mr John Smith, the shadow The Chancellor of the Ex- Chancellor, asked Mr Major chequer said that he would not for a "direct answer" on how far inflation would have to fall. Mr Major replied: "It will parable to the measure on be assessed on the approxiwhich European nations as- mate rate of inflation which sessed inflation. Mr Major racans it will not be on the

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high-technology cameras at a secret location in the Essex countryside. Puzzle for naturalists, page 24

Swindon relegated to third division

FRIDAY JUNE 8 1990

SWINDON Town were last night demoted to the third division, only 10 days after clinching first division football for the first time in the club's history, for making illegal payments to players.

The decision by the Football League will have serious

ramifications for the West Country club at the end of a traumatic year. The announcement, which "dev-astated" Swindon officials, was made by Mr David Dent, the League secretary, after eight hours of inquiry by a three-man commission at Villa Park, Birmingham.

Mr Gary Herbert, the club chairman, pleaded guilty on behalf of Swindon to 35 of the 36 charges brought by the League of making irregular payments to eight specific players going back to 1985. In addition to being rele-

gated, Swindon were also ordered to pay compensation figures to six clubs deemed to have been affected by the illegal payments. Nine of the players concerned in the illegalities are currently with

the club. The league, in a mood to show little mercy, said one effect of the payments was to understate the players' carnings which in turn may have led the League appeals committee to award a depressed figure when assessing com-pensation to be paid when these players were transferred.

The appeals committee will meet to assess the further compensation Swindon have to pay to these clubs. Swindon directors were severely censored and re-

ities running a league club.

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Thatcher unveils her new vision of Nato

MMES

By ROBIN OAKLEY AND MICHAEL EVANS

MRS Thatcher called yes. Nato over the security status. Europe. The declaration did terday for an historic recasting of a unified Germany. Since of the work of Nato from the Washington summit there united Germany directly, but preventing war to building had been "a change in spirit" Mr Yuli Kvitsinsky, the peace. She urged a more within the Soviet leadership Soviet Deputy Foreign Minpolitical role for the Alliance and the equipping of Nato to face threats from areas outside Europe, such as the Middle

The speech to Nato foreign ministers in Turnberry, Scotland, designed to set the agenda for next month's Nato summit in London, marked significant new benchmarks in her own approach to European security. She acknowledged that Nato no longer had a clear frontline; signalled her readiness for reductions in British forces stationed in Germany, and applauded publicly for the first time President Bush's decision to terminate work on the successor to the Lance ground-

launched missile. In another important development at Turnberry, Mr James Baker, the US Secretary of State, told the foreign ministers that Moscow had

towards the crucial German question, he said. According to a senior US official, Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, told Mr Baker that

he was "impressed" by the efforts being made by the West to find a formula on Germany that would meet Moscow's security interests. Although Moscow had not yet shifted from its position of opposing Nato membership for a united Germany, Mr Shevardnadze had given a clear impression that an agreement was now much more likely. In Moscow, meanwhile, at

the end of a one-day meeting of Warsaw Pact members, President Gorbachov yes-terday signalled the end of the Pact in its present form by offering "radical reforms" and proposing joint Nato-Warsaw Pact bodies to set the seal on the end of the Cold War suddenly become convinced it following the disintegration of can reach an agreement with communist rule in Eastern

Big New York oil spill from British tanker

From Susan Ellicott in New York

THE New York Coast Guard third big oil spill in the closed a busy channel of water channel this year. yesterday off Manhattan after a British-registered tanker ran aground in the narrow water-way, spilling about 260,000 gallons of heavy fuel oil near the route taken by the Staten Island ferry.

The 811ft Nautilus was Bayonne, New Jersey, when minded of their responsibilthe accident occurred after heavy rain in the Kill Van Kull strip of water leading to

Rescue teams blocked the tanker's leak and towed it into dock. The Coast Guard put floating booms round the two main pools of oil and scattered

fuel-absorbing chemicals. The

Coast Guard summoned a specialist unit from Alabama heading to a terminal at to deal with the accident. The ranker, owned by the London-based Nautilus Motor Tanker Co, was carrying

350,000 gallons, well below its the port of Newark. It was the 1.2 million capacity.

De Klerk calls off emergency and frees prisoners

From GAVIN BELL IN JOHANNESBURG AND PHILIP JACOBSON IN PARIS

PRESIDENT de Klerk yesterday announced the lifting of the four-year-old state of emergency in most of South Africa, and the release of 48 political prisoners to pave the way for negotiations on constitutional reforms.

In a speech to Parliament in Cape Town, Mr de Klerk made a stern appeal to the African National Congress to "stop vaciliating" and to state unequivocally where it stood on key issues. In particular, he called on Mr Nelson Mandela, the ANC deputy president, to explain his endorsement of organized violence against se lected targets. In Paris, Mr Mandela greeted Mr de Klerk's decision, but insisted that the West must continue to maintain economic sanctions against Pretoria.

"It represents a victory for the people of South Africa, white and black," he said at the end of an official lunch hosted by President Mitterrand in the Elysée Palace. However, Mr Mandela was critical of the decision to exclude Natal - which has been the scene of murderous conflict between rival black organizations - observing this "serves no useful purpose".

Mr de Klerk, in ending the state of emergency and releasing ANC members from jail addressed the organization's primary conditions for beginning negotiations on a postapartheid constitution. He did so despite a continuing high level of political violence, and a severe setback for the ruling National Party in a Natal byelection which signalled substantial white opposition to his reform policies. The Nationalists retained the Umlazi constituency with a sharply reduced majority, but analysis said a similar voting trend in a general election would sween the far-right Conservative Party to power.

The President said the reform process had been a bewildering and sometimes frightening experience for many people. But he said: "We cannot stop the world and get off as some people in South Africa would like."

urged a revival of President Kennedy's "declaration of The Government had interdependence" across the striven to restore order to the point where the remaining To make East European vestiges of violence could be countries feel more secure and countered with ordinary laws. to enable the Soviet Union to That point had now been come to terms with Nato's reached, and so the state of continued existence, Mrs emergency would be ended Thatcher called for the deveverywhere except Natal at Continued on page 24, col 5 midnight tonight

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Italy's strikers make the most of the Cup

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From OUR CORRESPONDENT IN ROME

ITALIANS pausing over their cappuccino to lament the lack of a striker to replace the legendary Paolo Rossi might today be casting a longing glance at their national museums for there, among the paintings and statuary that have enthralled international art lovers for

centuries, are strikers a-plenty. Not that Titian is about to fill that niggling gap alongside Vialli. Botticelli, Tintoretto and Raphael will not be boosting the national team as the World Cup gets underway today, for the strikers in museums throughout Italy have just one goal in mind - more money.

A suspicious soul, of course, might conclude that some workers are taking industrial action merely to watch the feast of world-class football. Not so - the museum workers have been demanding

Now, however, with the eyes of the world on Italy, they are determined to of their grievances, all to the considerable consternation of President

The President visited Florence yesterday to unveil the frescoes of Masolino and Masaccio in the Brancacci Chapel in the Church of Santa Maria del Carmine after nine years of restoration which has included the removal of leaves strategically added to Adam and Eve by earlier, more puritanical restorers.

Despite the best efforts of the Government to keep the museums open during the World Cup, when the gates of Milan's San Siro stadium open this afternoon for the tournament's opening game between Argentina and Cameroon, the doors of the Brera will be firmly shut.

more money and more staff for weeks. And the fairer-sex partners of football supporters frustrated in their plans to savour Italy's feast of culture could seize the opportunity to make the most encounter difficulty if they decide instead to go shopping and find themselves short of lira. The banks, too, are threatening to close.

Getting to the match might also be a little trickier than expected, since urban transport workers are to strike today and tomorrow and next weekend. Railway strikes have been banned by a special emergency law, but there remains a threat of wildcat action.

The latest group to get in on the World Cup publicity act is the tobacconists' association, which is threatening to close shops on three days in the next formight. How will chain-smoking managers get through their matches?

World Cup news, pages 43, 48

By Jamie Dettmer

FAR-REACHING reforms of the community charge system will be needed to alleviate the problems local authorities face in collecting it, according to the Association of District Councils.

The rate of revenue collection by the 322 non-metropolitan districts in England and Wales is down by 25 per cent and some areas are experiencing a drop of up to a third, the association says, A straw poll of 100 Tory and Labour council treasurers at its annual meeting this week indicated that many authorities are becoming overwhelmed by the administrative difficulties in introducing the new system of local government

tions to the Government for major reforms of the whole community charge system," Mr Roy Thomason, the association's chairman, said. "Without these reforms there will be increasing collection problems. We want to make the community charge more equitable and workable."

Several councils have turned to borrowing to make up the revenue shortfall, the association says. Others are digging in to reserves and losing interest. Both moves are likely to push up poll tax demands in the next financial year.

Several London boroughs which have been capped said yesterday they were pleased with their rate of collection.

Islington, which with 18 other councils is challenging the capping process in the High Court, has collected £4.2 million so far. By this time under the old rating system it would have collected £6

"With the confusion in people's minds over the capping and the court case, we are quite pleased with the response," a council spokesman said.

"There are a lot of anecdotes about the problems," Mr Mark Pilgrim, the director of finance at the Association of Metropolitan Authorities, said. "It is all very variable and the rates of collection and numbers paying are open to a number of interpretations."

Although about 25 per cent of people

have so far have not paid their community charge in the metropolitan associations, the numbers obliged to contribute to local government finance have risen dramatically.

"A number of authorities just don't have a clear picture, as demands have gone out late because of computer breakdowns and other administrative problems. Also, a lot of people who have not paid so far may well be waiting for a response to rebate applications," Mr Pilerim said.

Yesterday, Mr Barry Powell, chief revenue officer at Birmingham, said people should not read too much into the rity's collection rate. Half the adults in the Birmingham have failed to pay the poll tax, but more than 200,000 are waiting for rebate applications to be processed or for questions to be answered. "You also have to remember that the Government adjusted the payment of central grants to cover early shortfalls," Mr Powell said. "We are

getting grants much earlier this year." The High Court was urged yesterday to "restore the proper constitutiona balance" between central and local government by overturning the decision by Mr Chris Patten, Secretary of State for the Environment, to charge-cap 21 local

Mr Alan Newman QC, representing Derbyshire County Council, said the Government's avowed aim in introduc-

local accountability of councils. Mr Patten had used his powers to "hack to ribbons" the budgets of the capped councils. It was "a calculated policy of administrative chaos".

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Mr Newman's submission came on the third day of an application by 19 capped authorities seeking a judicial review of Mr Patten's use of the 1988 Local Government Finance Act to impose spending curbs. Mr John Laws, representing Mr Patten, said the High representing Mr Patien, said the High Court was being asked to decide govern-ment policy. He said Mr Patten had acted lawfully to protect charge-payers and reduce local authority expenditure,

The hearing continues today.

Airline rebuts MPs' claim that planes are unsafe

By HARVEY ELLIOTT, AIR CORRESPONDENT

night rejected allegations from "playing a dangerous game" allowing them to fly on air-craft which had not been

properly maintained. Twenty-seven MPs, led by Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Tony Benn and Mr David Nellist. had tabled a motion alleging "the connivance of the Civil Aviation Authority with Britcraft to fly in an unsafe condition because of nonregular personnel signing aprepair and maintenance".

As Sir Geoffrey Howe, Leader of the House, responded to questions about next week's business Mr Skinner brandished a long list of defects in aircraft which, he claimed, had been ignored since the strike by 7,000 engineering workers at Heath-row over 12-hour shifts began a week ago.

Afterwards Mr Skinner said: "You cannot have 7,000 engineers and their assistants on strike and their jobs done by a handful of management. Some of these people have never been on strike before but they are now genuinely worried about safety and fear that something awful is going to happen before BA pulls off its threat and gets back to

Last night, British Airways dismissed the allegations as

Maintenance was carried out in full compliance with the strict laws governing aircraft safety, it said, and if any engineer signed an aircraft as fit to fly when it was not he would not only be putting his job at risk but could also face criminal prosecution. "We are maintaining our aircraft to our own extremely high standards and are regularly inspected by the CAA," the airline said. The Civil Aviation Au-

vices from April next year. Mr

Peter Griffiths, deputy chief executive of the National

Health Service told health

Although health authorities

will not have to produce

detailed price costings or

sophisticated contracts when

reforms are implemented,

they will be expected to have

made visible progress in

Speaking at the Institute of

improving quality standards.

service managers yesterday.

BRITISH Airways and the thority said that it had drafted Civil Aviation Authority last in two more surveyors, highly qualified senior engineers who Labour MPs that they were are used to check on airline engineers, to boost the 12 who with passengers' lives by normally work at Heathrow. 'We are satisfied checks are being carried out correctly,"

the authority said. Many of the maintenance problems referred to by Mr Skinner and Mr Nellist were minor technical ones which occur regularly on all flights, are logged and either put right ish Airways in allowing air- or given special dispensations to enable the aircraft to continue to fly.

As pilots approach Heathprovals and certificates after row they radio ahead with details of any technical problems they may have en-countered during the flight so that the engineers on the ground can have any spares standing by for instant attention. The striking engineers had been listening in to these reports and made them available to the MPs.

British Airways has its own Despatch Deviation Manual, which lists all the defects which are technically and legally permissible to be carried on aircraft in safety. Normally an engineer can sign off an aircraft with such a defect automatically but 18 months ago the company decided, unprompted by any safety body, to cut such allowable defects to the minimum and ordered that any defect had first to be given a dispensation from a senior engineer. Before the aircraft told of the defect and must be happy to fly with it.

One such defect, which affected a Boeing 747 last Sunday, involved a reported problem in the fire detection loop around an engine. Senior Flight Engineer Roger Stafford gave a dispensation to enable the aircraft to continue in service until the problem could be solved.

"We are expecting every con-

tract to stipulate something

about how the service is to be

improved, not in five or 10

years time, but how it is to be

improved in the first weeks

ing waiting times for out-

patient appointments and

reducing the time patients had

to wait to see a doctor once

they had arrived at hospital.

Opposition rises, page 5

These could include reduc-

and months of the reforms."

Hospitals 'should

improve services'

By JILL SHERMAN, SOCIAL SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

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to demonstrate significant ment's annual conference in improvements in patient ser- Torquay, Mr Griffiths said:

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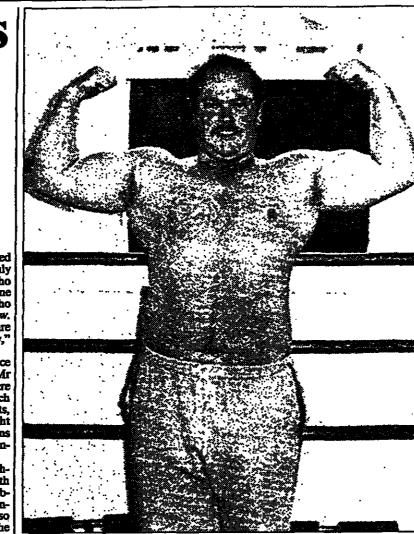
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Mr Bruce Newlands pictured before (left) and after a sudden illness which caused him to lose 41/2 stone and which he believes was caused by a body-building food supplement he took. The 24-year-old weight-lifter, who became unable to walk, can still not straighten his arms or flex

Millions

lost in EC food

frauds

By SHEILA GUNN

POLITICAL REPORTER

his joints. He collapsed after taking capsules bought at a health food shop for 3½ months.

Dr Kenneth Simpson, who is treating the postman from Guildford, Surrey, believes the capsules were to blame and has written to the Government ask-



banned. "Physically he is a shadow of his former self, he does not have any muscles on his body and his nerves and reflexes are in a very poor state," he said. Mr Newlands, who refused to take steroids, believing them dangerous, said

his decline was terrifying. "I suddenly lost all my strength. From being able to easily pump 90 kilos in a gym I found I could hardly lift an orange. It attacked my nervous system, my immune system, my lungs, heart, liver and kidneys." He is only now

learning to walk again.

Patten warns 'too political'

with memberships larger than the main political parties should not become too political, Mr Chris Patten, Secretary of State for the Environment, said last night.

Charities like Friends of the Earth, Greenpeace and the National Trust had millions of supporters while the Conserative Party had a membership of less than a million. Mr Patten said: "Govern-

ment cannot ignore these changes, nor should a democratic government want to do so. The environmental nongovernmental organizations deserve much of the credit for heightened public awareness of the issues. What was not long ago widely regarded as a minority interest of on the whole well-meaning cranks is today the stuff of international conferences in six-star hotels." Some, though, were in-

today's environmental groups for example is simply not justified."

"It can discredit rationality

charities

"Many charities have be-

come effectively multi-million pound corporations which put the annual budgets of political parties in the shade," Mr Patten said in a lecture in London. The growth in membership of environmental groups was especially striking.

clined to criticize government whatever it did. "The knee-jerk reaction of some of

The Charity Commission's rules allowed such organizations considerable latitude. However, a narrowly-focused organization could become a lobby, not just to stop some things happening, but to stop anything happening at all," he

in public policy-making. It can cheapen public debate, and in the process of doing that it can undermine the very concerns which it holds dear."

second Maguire test

LOSSES of millions of pounds

through the theft, fraud or mishandling of European said yesterday. Community surplus food stocks held in Britain have been uncovered by the Government's public spending The National Audit Office said fraud and irregularities

could be far greater than detected. Its investigation supports the findings of the uxembourg-based Court of Auditors and the House of Lords EC committee, which said EC fraud in agriculture support payments, some of which might find their way to the Mafia and IRA, could total £6 billion a year. The audit office called for

improvements at the intervention board to make the handling of EC funds and food stocks more efficient. It said: "In the last nine years the intervention board has reported 110 cases of irregularity, of which 100 have been valued at a total of £3.6 million. In 64 cases the full amounts totalling £1.48 million have been recovered from the traders concerned."

The cases involved external trade, beef and sheep premiums, milk, peas, beans and lupins. The audit office found that theft, and losses in stocks through bad storage con-ditions, cost the Treasury £5.74 million in lost revenue between 1980 and 1987.

The report criticizes the board for slowness in recording and collecting debts totalling £64 million by July 1989, most of which had been outstanding for over six months,

National Audit Office — Intervention Board for Agricultural Produce: Management, accountability and the prevention of fraud (Stationery Office, £6.70)

Scientist in clash over

during their 1976 trial, had the experts let them know the forensic details, Sir John May

Appeal judge, is nearing the end of the third week of public hearings in his inquiry into the cases of the Guildford Four and the Maguires, a north London Irish family jailed for up to 15 years on charges of possessing nitro-glycerine. He made his remark to Dr Thomas Hayes, a scientific officer at the Royal Armament Research and Development Establishment (RARDE), Woolwich, where swabs taken from the Maguires' hands were tested.

Dr Hayes had been examined for two days last week but was asked to return after previously unpublished notebooks from the RARDE were read to the inquiry on Tues-day. Those disclosed new aspects of the forensic inquiry that had not been mentioned either at the original trial or before Sir John and suggested discrepancies in the evidence at the trial and the present inquiry.

One was a second test run at RARDE on the samples taken from the Maguires' hands. Most of the first tests run on 4 December 1974 had been reported as showing a positive reaction indicating nitro-glycerine contamination. That was the sole evidence against the accused and at the trial it was said only one test had been run.

The new documents show that Mr Walter Elliott, a scientific officer at RARDE, in fact ran a second test on December 10, the day before charges were first laid against the Maguires. That was dis-closed yesterday as detailing negative results on every sample he studied. The tests included looking for trace

DEFENCE lawyers for the elements found in the form of from anything else. At the Maguire family could have the nitro-glycerine Frangex, inquiry last week Dr Hayes run the prosecution's expert normally used by the IRA, That, Mr David Clarke, QC, counsel for the inquiry, told Dr Hayes "could be thought of as a confirmatory test" that

had negated the first one. Dr Sir John, a former Court of Hayes said he found the second result "fairly neutral". How does it come about that that test was done and yet not mentioned at the trial, Mr Clarke asked. Dr Hayes: "I cannot answer why it was Asked by Sir John about

notes on another case handled by Dr Hayes at RARDE, which claimed to show nitroglycerine present on samples though the test results were well outside limits, Dr Hayes said that when things were used for a prosecution that was to him a "very weighty consideration". Sir John asked: "Did it ever occur to you to put even the slightest proviso of doubt?" "Apperently not, sir," Dr Hayes

Dr Hayes was asked about tests he had run to distinguish tween nitro-glycerine and a closely related explosive, PETN. In the type of test at first run on the Magnire hand swabs both would give the same result. At the trial it was suggested for the prosecution that the test was adequate to distinguish nitro-glycerine today.

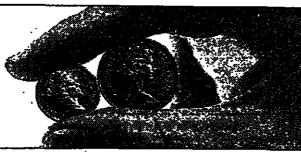
out consideration of PETN when dealing with IRA bombs main charge."

Dr Hayes, the new documents show, ran a test to distinguish nitro-glycerine and PETN on debris collected from the Horse and Groom public house in Guildford in October 1974, one of the bombings that led eventually to the Maguire case. Why, asked Mr Anthony Artidge QC for the Maguire family, had he done that? "To help the case officer," Dr Hayes said.

Mr Clarke put it to Dr Hayes that not disclosing to the original trial the existence of a separate second test to distinguish between nitro-glycerine and PETN "really was, to use the modern phrase, economical with the truth". "In the way the term is normally applied I have to disagree with you," Dr Hayes

Sir John May said: "If the defence had known about PETN I am sure you will appreciate it could have been possible to examine you into the ground." "Conceivably so, yes," Dr Hayes responded.

The inquiry continues



Changing times: The new 5p coin (left) carries the same design as the existing coin (right) but will be smaller, with more pronouced milled edges. It will be issued on June 27, and the new 10p in June 1992

Sandringham WI member calls for an encore

By ALAN HAMILTON

IAM may be yesterday's image of the Women's Institutes, but certain things remain inviolable. As the Queen entered the Albert Hall yesterday to iddress their annual general meeting, 6,000 delegates gave rousing voice to "Jerusalem".

Befitting her position as head of state and a member of Sandringham WI of 42 years' standing, the Queen is a traditionalist. The second rendition of the movement's anthem during the day's proceedings was at her request. Her vivid peacock blue hat was one of only a handful exhibited at a gathering once famous for them. In its 75th

ear, the WI is moving determinedly into the 1990s armed with concerns well beyond those of domestic rural life. But, as the Queen reminded her audience, the movement was well to the van of social and environmental issues, even in its early days.

"In the 1920s, not long after the movement began, the Women's Institutes were already talking about oil pollution, about health services in rural areas, about adult education and how the voluntary movement could contribute." The Women's Institutes were renowned in all they did for their high standards and for their balance and common sense of their com-

ments. Despite their most distinguished member's praise of their efforts on behalf of rural life, yesterday's meeting looked much further afield, passing motions opposing the commercial development of Antarctica and urging a ban on the use of the hormone bovine somatotropin to enhance milk yield in cows. The latter, surprisingly, was seconded by a dairy farmer's wife from North Wales.

But even that was not enough for at least one speaker. The agony aunt Miss Claire Rayner urged the movement to become more militant on current issues, to carry their campaigning from the countryside

into the towns, to establish more branches in Asian and Afro-Caribbean population centres, and generally to make much more noise.

"I have in the past referred to the WI as a sleeping giant," Miss Rayner said. "The voices of a third of a million women should be enough to make any government minister stop in his tracks. I fear you don't raise that voice often enough."

Perhaps fortunately, the Queen was not present to hear Miss Rayner's call to arms whose muscles, she said, could become flabby from lack of use. Miss Rayner, incidentally, did not

Victim of IRA bomb dies

A woman who was seriously injured in an IRA car bombing in Belfast which killed her husband died in hospital yesterday. Mrs Ellen Sefton, aged 65,

suffered severe injuries in the blast on Tuesday which killed her husband James, a retired police reservist, instantly as they drove through the north the city along Ballygomartin Road.

Mr Sefton retired from the police three years ago. The IRA admitted it had planted the bomb — thought to consist of Semtex plastic explosive and wired to the underside of Mr Sefton's car.

Health and smoking

Negotiations to ban cigarette advertisements without health warnings must be concluded swiftly, the committee monitoring agreements on advertising and sponsorship said yesterday. The Government and the tobacco industry were told unless there was a end auick discussions, present agreements would be threatened.

Visas dropped

People from Argentina and East Germany will be able to visit Britain without visas from today. The changes, which reflect improved links with both countries, were announced by Mr David Waddington, the Home

Theatre reprieve The King's Head Theatre, in Islington, north London, has won its appeal against a funding cut which would have led to its closure. Greater London Arts has restored the

£28,000 it cut eight weeks ago,

but said it was still "deeply

concerned about the make-up

Driver returns

Mr John Johnston, of Stoke on Trent, the driver of a British holiday coach which overturned on Sunday near Joigny, 80 miles from Paris. killing 11 people, returned to Britain by air ambulance yesterday with nine of the passengers who were badly injured in the accident.

Air accident job

Mr Kenneth Smart has been appointed the Chief Inspector of Air Accidents, the first aeronautical engineer, rather than a pilot, to be put in charge of finding the cause of aviation accidents in Britain. Mr Smart, takes over in-September from Mr Donald Cooper, who is retiring.

Custody advice

Lord Justice Butler-Sloss, Britain's senior female judge, said that warring parents should not expect courts to assume mothers are the best parent for children to live with. She was ruling in the Court of Appealafter a father had his appeal allowed in a contested custody case.

Back on course

William Hill the bookmakers reopened betting yesterday on the next Archbishop of Canterbury. Betting was suspended when suspicions arose over the large number of unexpected wagers on the Right Rev John Taylor, Bishop of St Albans. He has moved from a 10-1 outsider to 6-4 favourite.

CORRECTIONS

In yesterday's report on the. Guinness trial at Southwark Crown Court, Mr Ernest. Saunders should have been quoted as saying that he was as aware generally of the legal issues (not illegal, as reported) involved in the Guinness takeover of Distillers as he was of the financial ones.

The Bohemian spa of Carlsbad is now called Karlovy. Vary, not Marianske Lazne as stated yesterday. Marienbad is now called Marianske Lazne



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His counsel, Mr Richard Ferguson, QC, asked: "Did sure they were in a position to you have anything to do with the arranging of share support for the Guinness shares?" continue. "This was a most emotive and traumatic eve-ning. The advisers' attitude

Guinness shares the answer is 'no'. If you are asking did I encourage people, institutions Distillers shares to Guinness, to take the opportunity to invest in Guinness shares

Mr Ferguson: "Did you have any discussions about share support in the sense that has been used by the prosecu-tion, ie, illegal?"

Mr Saunders: "No, no, no,

Mr Saunders, Gerald Ron-24 counts alleging theft, false accounting and breaches of the Companies Act during the 1986 battle with the supermarket group Argyll for

wark Crown Court how he lobbied Cabinet ministers and newspaper editors to try to prevent Guinness's second bid pay the costs of the bid. "It for Distillers being referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. He attended a party in Birdcage Walk on March 11, 1986, to celebrate Sir Gordon Reece's knight-

"Almost the entire Cabinet were present as well as most of closely involved if the bid the Fleet Street editors," he went ahead. Mr Ward said he said. "I have never worked so hard for three hours in my life. Guinness made it worth his I got round most of the while. They agreed they would Cabinet and all of the editors." go ahead and when Mr Cabinet and all of the editors." go ahead and when Mr Ten days later, Guinness was Saunders telephoned Lord told that its revised bid would Iveagh to confirm it, the

highly-placed contacts of such made to Mr Ward. people as Sir Gordon and Sir outsider, I did not have it was a war, fought on many cally not." establishment roots". Mr fronts and with many weap-Saunders said he had consid- ons". The Scottish firm re- today.

THE former Guinness chief ered pulling out of the opera-executive, Ernest Saunders, tion on February 19, when unusual manner. Not only did Guinness was told its bid room denial that he took part would not go to the comin an illegal share support mission provided it was revised to show that some ny's battle to take over the Distillers brands would be Distillers drinks group. But he sold immediately after the

At a meeting with Guin-ness's merchant banking and legal advisers that night, Mr Saunders said he had not been ning. The advisers' attitude Mr Saunders replied: "If was 'yippee, we can go ahead, you mean did I have anything why are we wasting time to do with, or know about, talking about it?". I had a most paying indemnities or success serious personal dilemma fees to people for buying about whether we should proceed or take this opportunity to make an exit with dignity from this horrendous battle we were waging with the

argument. "I was told most because I thought they were a squarely that to do this would damn good buy, the answer is 'yes', because that was my that of the company. We would never be able to mount

> **■** I got round most of the Cabinet and all of the editors. I've never worked so hard 🗩

son, the chairman of Heron a takeover again. It would also International, the stockbroker damage the credibility of the Anthony Parnes and the advisers, which seemed to financier Sir Jack Lyons deny concern them most." Mr Saunders telephoned his chairman, Lord Iveagh, who was full of congratulations and dismissed his chief executive's reservations.

Mr Saunders said that one Mr Saunders told South- of his concerns was dealing with the board of Distillers, which supported the Guinness takeover and was prepared to was like dragging a tranquillized rhino around," he said. "I was constantly nagging them to keep up.

He told one of the Guinness directors, the American lawyer Mr Thomas Ward, that he would have to become more was happy to do so, provided

it challenge the legality of the merger agreement with Distillers, but it also sought a judicial review of the Office of Fair Trading decision not to refer the bid to the monopolies commission. That was rejected by the Court of Appeal.

Mr Saunders accused Argyll of a "disgusting" advertising campaign that led Guinness to take legal action. He said he did not object to campaigns attacking him personally, but when Argyll sought to "rubbish" Guinness's brands, he contacted the solicitor Sir David Napley in the hope that a letter from such a wellknown figure would halt Ar-Mr Saunders said Guinness

adopted innovative tactics to get its case across, including a television commercial shown That provoked a furious four times nightly, delivering a video of its presentation on the case to shareholding in-London taxis with posters.

He believed the deal swung Guinness's way when Norwich Union announced it would accept the Guinness offer. "This started the bandwagon. Institutions are like sheep and like to be seen on the winning side." Mr Saunders was asked to

explain a \$100m investment in July 1986 with the American arbitrageur Mr Ivan Boesky. He said the deal was proposed by Mr Ward. "At that time Boesky was considered the finest financial expert, not only in the USA but in the UK as well." Mr Saunders believed this was a good way of getting a toe-hold in the US market. By investing with Boesky, Guinness might get a stake in a company it could ultimately take over.

Mr Saunders met Boesky once for 30 minutes and was impressed by him, "but I should say now that if I knew then what I know now I would have had nothing to do with it." Mr Justice Henry later told the jury that Mr Boesky had been arrested in America in November 1986 and had "fallen from grace". Mr Saunders said: "I was horrified. It was the worst possible thing we could have done."

Mr Saunders said he was questioned by Guinness direcchairman showed no concern tors that December about Mr Saunders enlisted the about any payments being whether there was any link Mr Saunders said the fight and Guinness's investment in Jack Lyons because "I was an with Argyll "was not a battle, his fund. "I replied categori-The hearing continues



Former chaplain jailed for sex game

By KERRY GILL

A FORMER Church of Scotland minister was jailed for 18 months yesterday after admitting 10 charges involving sexual offences against eight girls between the ages of 10 and 12.

Gordon Haggarty, aged 49, who left the church when the offences came to light, was said to have betrayed his trust as a minister. The High Court in Edinburgh heard bow Haggarty, who was ordained in 1971, had tied up girls,

pretending it was part of a game involving kidnapping and rescue, and had photographed them in indecent poses over a period lasting from 1978 until 1987. Mr Hugh Matthews, ad-

vocate depute, for the pro-secution, said Haggarty met the girls through a number of sources, including his church in Aberdeen. He said the ces were lewd, libidinous and indecent. The idea was that the children would act out a story of kidnapping and rescue for eventual publication in a church magazine.

Child victims suffer in 'near-perfect crimes'

By STEWART TENDLER, CRIME CORRESPONDENT

perfect crime, with silent vic-tims, few witnesses and persistent offenders who believe they are doing little offenders, their associates and harm, a national police conference was told yesterday.

An astronomic number of children may be at risk as police discover paedophilia could be far more extensive than they had believed. Yet little or nothing was being done either to protect children to treat offenders.

The potential dimensions of the crime were described at the conference in Torquay of the Association of Chief Police Officers by Com-mander Richard Monk, who to the confessions of one man

child abuse scandal have been

learnt and it is now less likely

that a similar situation could

Bottomley, the health min-

Commenting on a new re-

port on child protection in

Cleveland, she said: "We are impressed with the progress

Cleveland has made. Out of

the misery of the past three

years we have learnt the

required lessons and they have

been acted upon. Arrange-

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The department took the

unprecedented step of order-

ing a second inquiry into child

protection work in the area, after the first Social Services

tion from all agencies."

ister, said yesterday.

Cleveland lessons

'have been learnt'

By RUTH GLEDHILL

THE lessons of the Cleveland identified a number of weak-

arise again, Mrs Virginia followed the Lord Justice

ments to properly protect playing a greater role. She children and their respective urged other authorities to

parents are working well, study the report and incor-

Inspectorate report in 1988 the people of Cleveland".

PAEDOPHILIA verges on the leads Scotland Yard's growing in two years. In other cases babies of six months had been drive against paedophilia. The Yard's intelligence files now hold details of 3,000 convicted He described a video of a

> Mr Monk said paedophi-liacs were "evil like Hitler because they actually believe what they do is right. And because they are right and we are wrong they ignore con-ventional punishment, cover their tracks well and go on offending. The scale of offending is enormous."

They were far and away the largest group of re-offenders in the criminal justice system. Mr Monk said he had listened

nesses in services, particularly

in collaboration between

agencies. The first inspection

Butler-Sloss inquiry, which

took place after 120 children

were taken into care between

February and July 1987 as

alleged child abuse victims.

terday, showed that col-laboration between social

services and the police had

improved, with parents also

porate many of the working

practices that Cleveland has

Mr Bob Pitt, the Cleveland

social services committee

chairman, said the report

"was very good news for all

already set in progress.

who had abused 200 children THE increase in reported crime in Britain this year compared with last year may

girl aged nine. The camera focused on the child's face as she waited fearfully to be abused. Mr Monk said he was not talking of a man in a shabby mac lurking behind bushes in a park. He was describing the man who targets his victim over days, weeks, months and even a year. One man courted and married a single mother to abuse her children. The typical paedophile, Mr Monk said, was often white, middle aged ingle, without convictions and perhaps linked to an organization dealing with young people. Sometimes the offenders were wealthy, highranking or influential.

Few women were involved, Mr Monk said. The investigation into paedophilacs acting as bogns social workers did not fit the normal pattern, which was usually covert. The

was evidence that that may be Mrs Bottomley said the latest report, published yesdropping. At one stage gangs involved in street robbery were aged between 16 and 19.

think of medieval punishments. Offenders needed treatment but there was almost none available. Mr Monk also looked at the problems of juvenile crime. He said that the peak age for all offenders was 15 but there

Now it is 14 to 17.
Sir Stanley Bailey, chief constable of Northumbria, said that there was evidence that offenders on bail can go out and commit more offences while they wait to be tried. A group of four juveniles who burgled houses and stole from cars committed 56 crimes and were arrested on 20 separate occasions before they were finally tried six months after

blame, and that will be the His prediction was based on figures for the South-east. He said six forces in the area, including his own, had seen a 20 per cent increase in reported crime for the first three months of 1990 against the same period of 1989. Reported burglaries had increased by 30 per cent. It was a paradox that these rises had aken place when police had put more effort into community policing programmes, crime prevention and neighbourhood watches.

Big rise

in reported

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predicted

be the biggest rise between

consecutive years since 1945,

if the early trend continues, top police officers were told

yesterday (Stewart Tendler

The possibility of substantial double figures for 1990 was raised by Mr Paul Con-

don, chief constable of Kent,

at the conference of the

Officers. The tentative predic-

tion came in a presentation of

community expectations and

the police. Mr Condon said that police would be blamed for any rise. The respon-sibility of other agencies and

the public might be ignored.

"If it turns out to be the worst

year since the war for a

percentage increase in re-

ported crime, there will be

only one door to knock on, to

writes).

Home Office figures for the first quarter across England and Wales are not expected until the end of the month. Forces have reported varying increases, with the West Midlands showing an increase of 15 per cent while North Wales showed a rise of only 0.5 per

cent. The rises are being attributed to a large number of reasons. Police are talking about an increase in car crime and speculating there may be more petty crime by drug abusers to buy drugs. The warm winter may have encouraged more crime as householders grew careless

leaving open windows.
Figures for reported crime have been stable for recent years after a large increase at the beginning of the decade. • Mr David Waddington, the Home Secretary, told the conference that attacks on the police were being played upon eagerly by mischief-makers but some concern was understandable and some criticism

should be heeded.

It would have been strange if there had not been concern after the sensational release of the Guildford Four and the disbandment of the West Midlands Serious Crimes Squad, he said. What he found hard to accept was the lack of attention paid to the difficulties and dangers faced by police.

Dishonest lawyers bring levy to London By FRANCES GIBB

LEGAL AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

A LEVY of £295 to meet claims arising from the work of dishonest solicitors is to be imposed on all members of the profession in England and Wales who handle clients' A Law Council meeting

yesterday endorsed the compulsory special levy in the face of a rise of more than 100 per cent in the value of claims lodged with the the Law Society's compensation fund last year. Claims received last year totalled £14.6 million, against £6.7 million the year The society estimates that

between now and the end of 1991, claims will cost the profession nearly £27 million. The special levy will affect all partners and sole practitioners, making up 28,000 of the 55,000 practising solicitors in England and Wales. A report to the council

showed that last year the number of defaults by solicitors' firms rose by more than 30 per cent to 64, of which 62 were sole practitioners. In 1988, 49 firms defaulted, 46 of them sole practitioners.

The huge rise in claims, although partly accounted for by six "extraordinary defaulters", is certain to fuel demands within the profession for tighter controls on sole practitioners. The last time a sharp rise in claims prompted a levy was in 1988 when solicitors were asked to pay £515. The annual contribution was then increased from £60 to £100.

Since then there has been a steady rise in the number and size of claims. In 1988 there were 577 claims, valued at

● The Law Society is to open an office in Brussels, the society council agreed yesterday. It will be the first time a British legal profession has set up formal representation there and is "a recognition of the growing importance of the European Community's decision-making powers".

Restoring vision By CLIFFORD LONGLEY

RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS EDITOR

A JOINT church campaign which aims at restoring a sense of vision and identity to London was launched at St Paul's Cathedral last night. A declaration also deplored the pitifully inadequate" living conditions of many of the capital's citizens. The declaration was signed

by Cardinal Basil Hume of Westminster, the Bishop of London, Dr Graham Leonard, other Anglican and Roman Catholic leaders, and leading churchmen from Free Church and black-led Christian denominations in London. The campaign arose from

meetings between the 14 signatories over the last year, which prompted them to try 10 "seek a fresh vision for our city". An ecumenical service was held to mark the commitment of the various denominations to work together, the forthcoming "decade of evangelism".

Judged by church attenleast religious cities in Europe, and the joint declaration who has a studio in Balham



Annabel Cullen with her selfportrait, which has won the BP Portrait Award for 1990, the first year of BP's sponsorship of the National Portrait Gallery's 11-year-old competition. particularly in the context of Miss Cullen, aged 36, won at her third attempt (Simon Tait writes). "It's a self-portrait because it's much cheaper to dance, London is one of the paint yourself than to hire a least religious cities in Europe, sitter," she said. Miss Cullen, emphasized that "spiritual and works part-time as a pubpoverty frequently co-exists with material affluence". Christians were urged to help to build the city of God in \$8,000, will enable her to paint fulltime. The actor Tom Conti

presented the prizes. One judging innovation introduced this year is that the photographs of the sitters, in the past shown alongside the portraits, are no longer there. "A number of artists complained that it was misleading to ask people to compare two media." said Mr John Hayes, director of the National Portrait Gallery. "We felt they had a valid point and have dropped it."
The second prize of £4,000 went to Martin Churchill for a portrait of Maria Chevska. Third prize and £2,000 went to Philip Harris for another selfportrait

Jail ban call for under-15s

By Quentin Cowdry, Home Affairs Correspondent PENAL reformers believe and Resettlement of Offend- olent offences. The Howard

they may be able to force the ers think courts should be League has a dossier of case Government into proposing a barred from imprisoning all histories which it says illus-Bill this summer.

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Government into proposing a barred from imprisoning all ban on imprisonment for boys juveniles, including those conaged under 15 when ministers
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They say time in prison,
however brief, is only likely to Faced by criticism that Brit-harden delinquent youths and ain's use of custody for ju-make them more likely to re-The Howard League yes-

aged 14. Courts cannot jail

tion that they are extending are sent each year to young sex discrimination in sentenc-

trates the inappropriateness of custodial sentences for children. It includes the case of a youth, Stephen, who was jailed for eight weeks at the age of 14 years 4 months for threatening a woman with a knife. The offence, committed on his 14th birthday, was his first and, according to social reports, had occurred shortly after three members of his immediate family had died. In 1988, the last year for

which figures are available, 25 Just under 300 boys aged 14 girls aged 15 were jailed, 24 aged 16 and 109 aged 17. More than 3,000 boys aged 14 to 16 ing policy. Such groups as the Home Office's prison and 4,100 young men aged 17 Howard League and the Nat-department. Of those, only 16 were given custodial

Jail for 'mad hacker' who broke into college systems from home Mary College in London and one ment of Trade and Industry's ous and to fail British Standards problems might centre on cheap

A TEENAGE computer hacker who broke into university systems damage two weeks ago. He is the and destroyed vast amounts of first computer hacker to be jailed in material was yesterday jailed for four months. Nicholas Whiteley, now aged 21, called himself "the mad backer" and waged his sixmonth war in 1988 from a home computer in his bedroom.

The part-time computer consultant with the London Opera Company added and deleted information on systems at universities in London, Bath and Hull. His activities caused damage estimated at £25,000, Southwark Crown Court was told during a three-week trial.

Whiteley, of Ascot Gardens, Enfied, north London, was con-

victed of four charges of criminal

Jailing him for a year, with eight months suspended, Judge Rivlin, OC, said Whiteley gained "considerable pleasure at the time, both in participation and carrying out these matters and it led to much boasting". The judge told Whiteley: "You were then in the process of starting your own computer magazine Outer Limits and I have no doubt that you thought this would help and promote your magazine."

Whiteley was found guilty of four counts of criminal damage to computer disks, two at Queen

each at Bath and Hull universities

He was cleared of three other charges of criminal damage and six others were dropped before and during the trial. He was also cleared of criminal damage to computer

Judge Rivlin refused prosecution requests to recover £28,000 costs and to confiscate Whiteley's home computer as a "weapon". After the case. Whiteley's former manager at the London Opera Company, Mr Jonathan Balkind, said he would take him back.

● A random survey by independent computer consultants is being studied by officials at the Departcomputer makes carry faults that are potentially "dangerous" to users and service engineers.

Gaelic Communications Ltd, a subsidiary of Open Systems Technology (OST) Europe Ltd of Dunsermline, Scotland, have discovered machines manufactured by Vegas of Italy which carry a fault in their mains power supplies. The fault means the entire machine could suddenly go live after being switched on, putting people at risk of electrocution.

Units made by Brother, the BC10 model, were also found in the survey to be potentially hazard-

consumer safety unit after it was Institute specifications. The elec- equipment manufactured in found that two popular personal trical risk to them is for service Tawian and the Far East Vegas had with the model, the consultants claim.

Mr Alex Lothian, chairman of OST, said the survey had been taken at random and he feared that the findings could be "the tip of the iceberg". He asked: "How many other machines and models have similar faults? This should now be looked at in depth."

The consultants have also handed over their findings to Fife Trading Standards Officers, the National Computing Centre and the companies concerned. Mr Lothian suggested that some of the

engineers who might be unfamiliar accepted the findings and was recalling models.

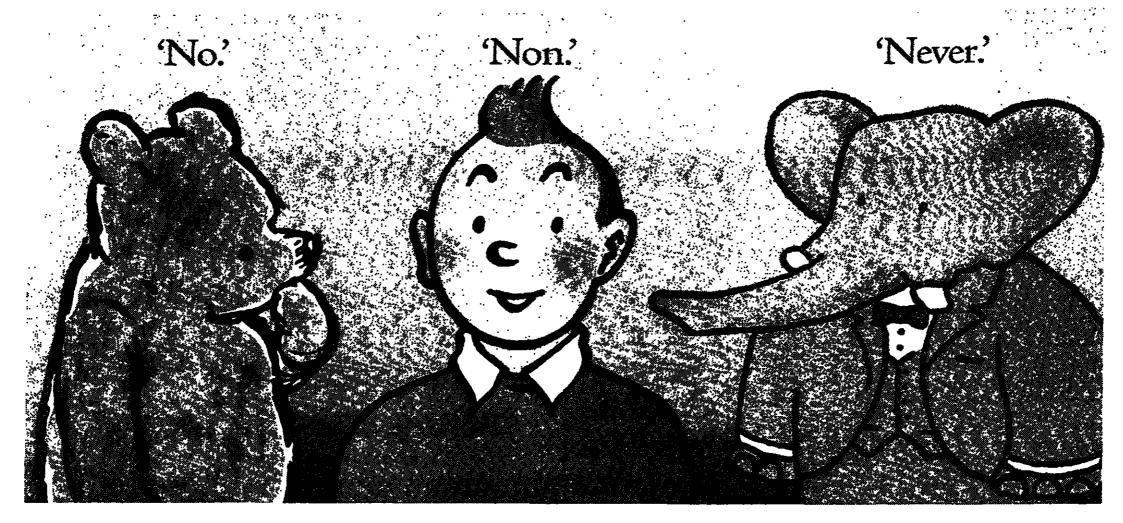
The findings have emerged in Computer Weekly, where it is claimed that five manufacturers were found to have personal computers of questionable electrical safety. However, Mr Lothian said that machines made by Epson, Onus and DCS had not been evaluated by the consultants.

The Department of Trade and Industry said it was evaluating the report but confirmed that three of the companies mentioned in the magazine story were not under investigation.

Have today's children deserted books for television?

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On the contrary, children's publishing has been a boom industry in recent years.

Favourite characters from the twenties have rarely been in greater demand.

Winnie-the-Pooh, Tintin and Babar the Elephant are still delighting thousands of children. Not to mention Methuen their publisher.

Thomas the Tank Engine remains a favourite of Heinemann as well as countless 4-to-8 year olds.

Reed International also takes a childish pleasure in this success.

They own Methuen and Heinemann.



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Firms accused of spurning vast pool of experienced labour

By KEVIN EASON

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EMPLOYERS are turning their backs on a vast pool of experienced labour by aiming recruitment at workers aged under 35, a survey for the Brook Street employment company says.

The nationwide Gallup survey showed that over 90 per cent of employers fear a recruitment crisis over the next 10 years as the number of children leaving school to join the jobs market drops dramatically. However, only 14 per cent see the over-50 age group as providing a pool of labour that could fill the increasing vacancies, while only one in three is making provision to employ women returning to work after having a family.

Brook Street says the findings of the survey, which covered 250 personnel words, British industry confirms the directors, show that employers are not acting quickly enough to anticipate changes by relaxing their age policy, starting training programmes or pinpointing women "returners". The report comes at a crucial time when some employers, especially supermarket chains in the South-east, have been forced to turn to older workers and mothers returning to work because they are unable to find young recruits.

Brook Street says such companies are still in the minority and thousands more fail to recognize the recruitment difficulties to come. Miss Diana Cornish, Brook Street managing director, said public opinion that employers do discriminate on the basis of age and sex.

"Nearly all employers acknowledge the predicted shortfall of young people entering the labour market and the majority believe it will have an effect on their recruitment policies over the next five years. Yet they are still putting their faith in an endless supply of stylish and competent young people.

"Moreover, while many of them make appropriately caring responses to the possibility of employing older people or women returners, few are actually doing so." The survey found 86 per cent of employers saying that the under-35s

were "best-suited" to their business had the right skills." Brook Street says while a third was relying on recruitment of people under 25 to fill vacancies.

The under-25s were considered "quick-thinking less entrenched in anitudes and familiar with technology". Potential recruits over 50 were rejected because they were perceived to have less stamina, to be more set in their ways and were failing to live up to the "trendy, dynamic self-image" of some companies.

The report says: "In short, they are a victim of some undefined judgement or style test based on their birth date. The blinkered attitude of companies is confirmed by four out of five potential employees, who believe they had been turned down for a job even though they

that "ageism" was further underlined by the fact that up to three-quarters of firms believed that receptionists, clerks and secretaries should be under 35 but company chairman and cleaners should be aged over 50.

Of the companies preparing to attract women back to work, 69 per cent are considering such incentives as flexible working hours, job-sharing and time off for school holidays. The generous approach ends there, however, with Gallup discovering that only 8 per cent were prepared to offer child care schemes and 10 per cent workplace nurseries. Brook Street says employment prospects do not look "particularly promising" for those

over 50 as only 14 per cent of companies are thinking about recruiting within that age group. That is despite the fact that almost nine out of 10 of the 2,000 employees also interviewed by Gallup said they would postpone retirement if their employer offered more money or

flexible hours. The Brook Street summary concludes: The consequences of this may be that Britain's social fabric will be severely stretched by vast numbers of middleaged men and women with time on their hands. The nation's gardens and golf course proprietors will benefit while the

economy suffers."

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Consultants' **opposition** rises to NHS reform

OPPOSITION to government interpreted as a vote against plans to reorganize the Nat-ional Health Service and the authority rather than a vote in setting up of self-governing support for the government NHS hospital trusts is increasing among senior hospital consultants, the British Medical Association said yesterday. The number against has risen from 52 per cent last year to more than 60 per cent now.

Mr Paddy Ross, chairman of the association's central consultants and specialists committee, has written to Mr Kenneth Clarke, the Secretary of State for Health, seeking confirmation of an assurance given in the House of Lords that no one will be compelled to participate in the new arrangements.

He has called on the Govtake part in the introduction of self-governing trusts applications by hospital managements to set up such trusts should not go ahead.

Mr Ross wrote: "I remain very concerned about the fact many of the front-runner hospitals' plans for self-governstill appear to be sing despite clear evidence of lack of support from consultant staff."

The latest move by the association comes after the results of the first ballots held garded as front-runners to move towards self-governing status. Of the 28 hospitals out of the 64 which are expected to be candidates for self-governing where consultants have voted, a majority supporting the scheme has been returned in only five and 23 have voted overwhelmingly against the proposals. Among the remaining five are three hospitals in Sheffield and the vote is being proposals.

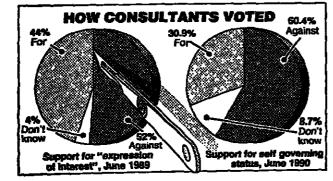
The BMA also said yesterday that in three cases where there had been an overwhelming vote against the scheme, at Darlington (81 per cent against), Eastbourne (84 per cent against) and King's Lynn (82 per cent against), the result had been that management proposals drawn up for a selfgoverning trusts had been withdrawn. The most conclusive vote was at St Thomas's Hospital, London, where 96 per cent of consultants oppose the proposals.

The Department of Health has criticized ballots among erament to rule that where sectors of staff at hospitals as consultants have demon-unrepresentative, but Mr Ross strated their unwillingness to said that where ballots had been carried out at 15 hospitals involving all staff the vote against had averaged 88.5 per cent, in favour 8.9 per cent and don't knows 2.6 per cent.

Mr Ross said: "You cannot in a democratic society disregard the views of the majority when there is such a high turnout." Ballots among consultants were especially important as consultants were the people who treated the patients and attracted referrals from GPs.

He added: "Management do not see patients. The consultants are the key people in the vote. A self-governing trust cannot work unless you have the commitment of the consultants."

In a separate ballot among 144 GPs operating in the area served by Guy's Hospital in London 96 (66.7 per cent) said they were against the hospital become a self-governing trust. Only two (1.4 per cent) defi-nitely voted in favour.



MPs seek help for 'forgotten army' of unpaid carers

By Sheila Gunn, political reporter

THE Government's policy of Lords defeat, which requires encouraging the elderly, in- the Government to earmark firm and disabled to be cared community care budgets for for in their own homes will be local authorities. The dispute a "fraud" unless unpaid carers are given higher benefits, bet-ter facilities and more relief, pect that the Treasury will not MPs say.

The Commons social services committee argues that Britain's forgotten army of six million carers, who save the country £24 billion a year, must be valued and helped instead of being regarded as a cheap option to residential care. In a report on community care the cross-party committee recommends a twostage package of increased help for informal carers, who are mostly women looking after elderly or disabled

Recommendations include: increasing invalid care allowance from £28.20 a week to £35.70 and later to £43.60; more facilities to give carers an occasional break; more opportunities for carers to combine work with caring: better nursing and home help services; and the effect of the poll tax burden on carers and their dependants to be

monitored. Mr Kenneth Clarke, the Secretary of Sate for Health, is already at odds with the Treasury on whether to risk a Commons rebellion by asking MPs to reverse a House of

has led the peers and the pect that the Treasury will not provide sufficient funds to bring in the community care reforms recommended by the Griffiths report.

Members of the committee. except the Conservative MP Miss Ann Widdecombe, who refused to put her name to the report, are to press ministers for extra help for carers when MPs debate the peers' amendment and the income support regulations later this year. Mr Frank Field, the committee chairman, said: "If the Treasury tries to shake this report warmly by the throat we will know they are not serious about their proposals."

Although he admitted the committee had not costed its "modest" proposals because it had exhausted its research budget, he said if the Government provided the funds it would ask the Institute of Fiscal Studies to draw up figures. But Mrs Gillian Shepherd, junior social security minister, said the proposals would be "extremely costly".

Community Care: Carers, House of Commons Social Services Committee 5th report (Stationery Office, £7.15)



Cheisea cheers: Pensioners of the Royal Hospital Chelsea doffing hats and giving three cheers yesterday after a Founder's Day inspection by Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester. The seated pensioners were those unable to take part in the parade honouring Charles II, founder of the hospital in west London

Suicide of stadium tragedy witness

By RONALD FAUX

A FOOTBALL supporter who witnessed the Hillsborough disaster and was later counselled for depression by the Hillsborough Help Group was found hanged days after watching a television documentary on the tragedy, an inquest in Liverpool was told vesterday.

On February 6, Mr Duane Riley, aged 25, a labourer and Liverpool fan of Wenlock Road, Anfield, watched the Yorkshire Television First Tuesday programme about the tragedy in which 95 people died. The following day he disappeared and four days later was found hanged in his

earden shed. Mr Roy Barter, the Liverpool coroner, recorded a verdict of suicide. He said there seemed little doubt that the television documentary was a precipitating factor. "It seems to have been that which triggered off his subsequent

behaviour," he said. Mr Riley who lived with his girl friend, Anne Mussell, and their son aged two, went to every Liverpool game up to the disaster. Miss Mussell said that since then her husband would sit quietly, not talking. He had gone for counselling by the Hillsborough Help Group but that did not seem

Mr Gerrard Flanagan, a social worker with the group, said in a statement that Mr Riley had been angry at the police and other people who, he felt, did not appreciate how upset he was. His anger caused some disquiet at group sessions. He had felt kinship with those who died. Friends had taken Mr Riley to the Royal Liverpool Hospital where he had agreed to receive treatment as an out-patient but he had not kept his appointment. Mr Chris Bryer, co-pro-ducer of the YTV docu-mentary, said: "We would like to offer our condolences to the

family but as yet we have been

unable to consider the coro-

ner's findings."

The brother of Norman Parkinson, Mr Kenneth Smith, and Jake, a grandson, leaving the memorial service for the photographer yesterday. A performance by a steel band musician amid the scent of exotic flowers in Westminster Abbey summed up the clash of dignified elegance and flamboyance that Parkinson injected into his work and life. About 400 friends, models and admirers turned out

UK ends its 'waste dump' role

From Michael McCarthy, environment correspondent, luxembourg BRITAIN will cease to be a nadian PCBs, fully authorized enough is enough, and I see no of EC waste imports, Mr

pean Community countries after an agreement reached by EC environment ministers

such as the high-temperature incinerator operated by Rechem in South Wales, will now have to be dealt with in their country of origin.

The European agreement follows an initiative of Mr Chris Patten, the Secretary of State for the Environment, who last September proposed that industrialized countries should be self-sufficient in waste disposal. Mr Patten acted after a cargo of Ca-

was refused entry at ports all around Britain after a campaign by the environmental pressure group Greenpeace.

mally the principle of waste disposal self-sufficiency. The ministers agreed that a network of disposal installations would be set up across Europe, which must enable the Community as a whole to be self-sufficient in waste disposal, and enable the member states to work towards that aim individually".

Mr Trippier said: "For too long now we have been taking more than our fair share, but

waste dump for other Euro- for importation into the UK, reason at all why developed Trippier said, because total and industrialized countries UK imports of hazardous should not provide their own waste in 1989 were only facilities". He said he was 41,544 tonnes, while Britain's

> made the allegation, were exporting waste to Britain. He released detailed figures Netherlands exported just under 15,000 tons of hazardous wastes to the UK, while Belgium sent nearly 10,000

British waste treatment

"sick to death of Britain being own domestic hazardous called the dirty man of waste totalled two million Europe" when the UK ex-Thousands of tons of Yesterday, Mr Pattern's dephazardous wastes, including the cancer-causing PCBs, prethe cancer-causing PCBs, preto the UK for the quarterly council meeting while other European countries, including some who had in I have mbourg to agree forin I have mbo dangerous way on land.

tutors 'lack

vital guidance'

TOO many tutors involved in bring out the best in a student.

training teachers are given no One of the consultants, Mr

showing that last year The tons, and more than 5,000 tons came from Switzerland.

companies such as Rechem "would not be going out of business" through the ending

guidance on how to handle the

task, according to three indus-

trial experts who inspected

teacher training courses. They

Commercial management

consultants from BP Inter-national IBM UK and Lloyds

Bank worked alongside four

school inspectors examining

nine courses at a higher edu-

cation college, a polytechnic and a university.

Their report, published yes-

terday, said: "Once a tutor had

been appointed, there was no

attempt to help develop the

training skills required, in particular those of counsel-

ling, tutoring and appraisal."

Head teachers and schools

should become more involved

in teacher training. Schools

with trainee teachers were

often given too little informa-

tion by the colleges for them to

said it was not enough to be a professional teacher with high academic qualifications.

Mr Robert Ward, the runner aged 39 who collapsed and died in the London Marathon in April, was suffering from a rare form of heart disease, Southwark Coroners' Court heard yesterday. had "hypertrophic cardiomyopathy", causing thickening and they might dump their and enlargement of the heart walls and fibres. A verdict of

Ministers also agreed yesterday that from January 1, 1993 batteries should be

clearly labelled to make sure they are disposed of separately from other wastes, and that their contents of dangerous heavy metals such as cadmium should be clearly

Julian Greatrex, a manage-

ment development expert

with BP at the time of the in-

spections last spring, said he

agreed the partnership of schools and training institut-ions was fragile. "They have

no back-up, doing their own

secretarial and clerical work.

They have no time to think."

were not obliged to take students and where they did

the majority of teachers were

not paid for the additional work. Most were given no extra time to work with the students, who "felt inhibited

from approaching busy teachers so they rarely could sit

down for a reflective dis-

Last night, the Department

of Education and Science said

some of the issues raised had

A university degree is now

Sir Edward Parkes, chairman

of the Committee of Vice-

Chancellors and Principals, at

yesterday's launch of Univer-

Almost twice as many

women as men have to take

manual or clerical jobs after

graduating from European

studies, according to Dr Nigel

Copperthwaite and Mr Colin

Mellors, of Bradford Univer-

sity's European studies

sity Entrance 1991.

fewer opportunities."

cussion of their progress".

now been dealt with.

Schools, the report says,

Passport remand Teacher training Paul Scarrott, aged 34, the self-

recorded.

styled football hooligan de-ported from Italy, was remanded in custody for a week by Nottingham magistrates, accused of stealing cigarettes and cash worth £145 and making a false passport application.

Runner

had heart

disease

Mr Ward, from Hampshire

death from natural causes was

Dr Dan Tunstall Pedoe,

medical director of the mara-

thon, said: "The disease is a

notorious cause of sudden

unexpected death, which may

occur at any time, not only

with exercise." He was the

first person to die in the 10

London marathons held.

Death fine

Sanyo was fined £4,000 by Teesside magistrates over the death of a woman employee at its microwave factory in Thornaby-on-Tees. Mrs Therese Styles, aged 38, was killed by a 4,000-volt shock from an uninsulated conductor.

Flight delay

Mr Christoher Thompson, a pilot who made a forced landing on a corn field near Yarmouth on the Isle of Wight has been told by the farmer that his light plane cannot be moved until after harvesting in three months' time.

Life sentence

Adrian Coxhead, aged 28, was jailed for life at Bristol Crown Court for the murder of his lover, Diane Mitchell, aged 39, after she threatened to reveal their affair to the woman he lived with.

University Entrance, the Official Guide (Sheed and Ward, 2 Creechurch Lane, London EC3A 5AQ: £11.95) Poor hygiene

Danish Bacon was fined £5,300 yesterday for poor considered a status symbol hygiene by magistrates in Exeter after health inspectors alongside the house and the family car. Many parents were now considering joining their children at college, said found dead birds in the company's warehouse in the

First woman

The Church of Ireland is to appoint its first woman priest. Mrs Jan Catterall, a deacon aged 37, is expected to be ordained in September at St Fin Barre's Cathedral, Cork

Biggest hostel

A planning application has department. They said:
"Women's aspirations are as been submitted to build a 450bed youth hostel, the largest in high as men's, but they find Britain, in Bermondsey. south-east London.

Mackay gives initial warning to JPs One recent complaint was from a tenant

to commemorate the photographer, who died in

Service report, page 16

February aged 76.

By Frances GIBB LEGAL AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

THE Lord Chancellor has advised magistrates to be circumspect about using the initials JP with their names, after complaints from people who believed justices were trying to impress or intimidate them.

Magistrates know that they should not use "JP" on a driving licence or a cheque book, Lord Mackay says. Even leaving a copy of The Magistrate on the parcel shelf of the car could "justifiably be construed by a constable who may stop you for speeding as an attempt to influence him".

The Lord Chancellor says, however, he still receives complaints about the use of the initials by magistrates on their professional or business letter heading.

saying a landlord had written to him indicating he was a JP. He had also had a complaint from a manager of a number of flats that the secretary of the tenants' association wrote to him, using "JP" Lord Mackay's comments came in a

recent address to senior magistrates at a private training session at Ripon, North Yorkshire, reported in the latest issue of The Magistrate. He advised magistrates to be cautious, also, in the use of their names in commercial advertisements after one inquiry from a newspaper about a magistrate who had done that. They should always weigh all the circumstances to see whether it was possible that the magistracy might be brought into disrepute. Lord Mackay has

to hold political opinions and to take part in legitimate political activity, they must avoid any form of political expression "which might give rise to apprehension that, as magistrates, they might not be impartial between one group and another". Similar considerations applied to strongly expressed opinions that might touch upon the impartiality of magistrates on subjects such as field sports, animal rights, or issues concerning the environment that

On sentencing, Lord Mackay re-stated

also given advice to magistrates on making political statements. While free might come up in cases before them.

the need for magistrates to give publicly their reasons for any sentence that "departs from the norm" either in that it was harsher than usual, or more lenient,

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poll

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TIME LIMIT

By NICHOLAS WOOD

POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

ONLY one person in ten sup-ports the Commons decision to

remove the upper time limit for abortion of a child likely to be

born with a handicap, according to a new opinion poll.

to a new opinion poll.

The Gallup survey conducted for the Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child was cited yesterday as evidence of public support for their position by MPs planning a last-ditch attempt to persuade their colleagues that the law cannot be left in its present state.

They are aguing that by

They are arguing that, by decoupling abortion law from the Infant Life (Preservation) Act and so abolishing the blanket 28-week limit, and by lifting

'Approximate' inflation rate to guide ERM entry date

BRITAIN will be guided by the "approximate" rate of inflation rather than the retail price index in deciding when to join the exchange rate mechanism of the European Monetary System, Mr John Major, Chancellor of the Exchequer, told MPs yesterday.

Progress has been made on meeting the conditions set out by Britain at the Madrid summit for joining, but they have still not been met, he said. "The balance of advantage is clearly to eater the ERM and, in due course, that is surely what we shall do Mr John Smith, chief Opposition

spokesman on Treasury and eco-nomic affairs, asked for a direct

answer on how a "sufficiency" of any reduction in inflation would be

Mr Major replied: "A direct answer is that it will be assessed on the approximate rate of inflation which means it will not be on the retail price

"It will be on a comparative basis to the measure on which European nations themselves assess inflation." Mr James Wallace (Orkney and Shetland, Lib Dem) said that Mr Major had seemed to indicate at a press conference at which he spoke recently that the underlying rate of inflation was much closer to the European Community average than a TREASURY

proper statistical approach would

Mr Major said that he had been drawing attention to the fact that the British rate of inflation looked "misleading and unreasonable" compared with those of the European partners. That was because Britain contained within its inflation rate that which other countries did not.

Mr Anthony Nelson (Chichester, C) said that rumours that this country was about to become a full member of the ERM had caused the stock market to rise, the exchange value of sterling to be firmer and money market interest rates to fall. That favourable response should have warmed Mr Major's heart towards the idea of joining im-

Would he bear in mind that if he felt it necessary to take an executive decision — "even while the Prime Minister is abroad" — he would earn the recognition of a grateful nation

Mr Major: I have had in my time some attractive offers. I am not entirely sure to what extent that ranks

"I have made it entirely clear to the

judgement that, when the conditions we have set out are met, it is right for us to join the ERM."

Mr Ian Stewart (Hertfordshire North, C), a former Economic Sec-retary to the Treasury, asked for an assurance that the Chancellor of the Exchequer would not contemplate entering the ERM unless and until he regarded entry as fully compatible with the needs of domestic monetary

He should not join at any time when it might mean that interest rates would have to be lowered more. or more quickly, than was necessary for the proper control of monetary

Mr Major: I am acutely conscious of that point. The aim of joining the ERM is to support policies to reduce nflation, not to damage them.

Mr Steart Bell (Middlesbrough, Lab) asked if, when the Government entered the ERM as Mr Major proposed in the summer, he would go in on the tight band of 2.5 per cent or

in on the tight band of 2.5 per cent or the broader band of 6 per cent.

Mr Major said: "I can neither confirm the date that he sur-reptitiously slipped in to his question as an assumption, and neither am I in any position to enlighten him on his subgraptive point."

Concern on War **Crimes** Bill

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MPs from both sides pressed the Government reintroduce the War Crimes Bill which was rei**ected by** the House of Lords on Monday.

Mr David Winnick (Walsall North, Lab) said that there should be a debate on the future of the Bill as quickly as possible.

If there was a conflict between the two Houses, then the views of the elected chamber must prevail.

Sir Bernard Braine (Castle Point, C) said that there was widespread indignation in the country - as a new poll had demonstrated at the decision of the Lords. MPs on both sides of the Commons believed that decision was wrong, constitutionally and morally, and there was a pressing need for the Commons to resolve what was to be done.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, Leader of the House, said that the position required reflection.

Big rise in unleaded fuel

Unleaded petrol now accounts for more than a third of the market, the Earl of Caithness, Paymaster General, said. Sales of un-leaded petrol in May reached. 34 per cent, encouraged by the tax differential with leaded being increased in the Budget to nearly 16p a gal-

Ulster helps

Ulster people give more to charity a head than people in any other part of the United Kingdom, even though the province has the lowest income in the UK, Secretary to the Treasury, said

Angola aid

Britain is providing Britain is providing £500,000 in emergency assistance for drought-affected areas of Angola, Mrs Lynda Chalker, Minister for Overseas Development, announced in a written reply. The aid is in response to an appeal from the UN.

Parliament next week

The main business in the Commons next week will be: Monday: Debate on European Community affairs.
Tuesday: Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill, second

reading. Wednesday: British Nationality (Hong Kong) Bill, remaining stages. Thursday: Debates on training and on low income statistics. Friday: Debate on private

member's EC motion. The main business in the Lords will be: Monday: Social Security Bill, report, first day.
Tuesday: NHS and Community Care Bill, report, sec-

ond day.
Wednesday: Debate on the role of the DTI.
Thursday: NHS and Community Care Bill, report, third day. Friday: Employment Bili,

second reading. Parliament today Commons (9.30): Debate on a private member's motion on the burden of taxation.

Demand for penalties as beef bans are lifted

THE agreement in Brussels on the import of British beef to the rest of the European Community was announced in Commons by Sir Geoffrey Howe, deputy Prime Minister, when he replied on behalf of Mrs Thatcher at question

A Conservative MP demanded French and German compensation to British farmers for their recent heavy losses.

Sir Geoffrey said that the agreement was being considered by legal and scientific experts by legal and scientific experts this afternoon; the Council of Agriculture Ministers would reconvene to approve documents and all EC member states would accept imports of British beef

"The European Commission has reaffirmed its belief that British beef is safe."

The matter had been raised by Mr James Couchman (Gillingham, C), who asked: In view of the link between listeria and French brie cheese, the hallucinatory effect of French wine, cinatory effect of French wine, the carcinogenic effect of Perrier water, and the transmissibility of mad frog's disease, will Sir Geoffrey make contingency plans to impose a ban on all French products, lest France fails to honour the series and the continue of the series of the continue of th fails to honour the agreement signed in Brussels this morning?

Sir Geoffrey said that he understood the concern about how matters had proceeded in the past few days.

"He must understand that the most important conclusion is that there should be a properly free market in agricultural pro-duce throughout the Commu-nity in compliance with the law and the European Council of Agriculture Ministers this morning reached agreement to end the ban on the import of British beef to other continental

He added that Mr John Gummer, Minister of Agricult-ure, would return from Brussels and make a statement.

Mr Roger Knapman (Stroud, C) said later that it was certain that the French and German governments had contravened article 30 of the Treaty of Rome. "They must compensate our farmers for the substantial losses

They want all the privileges of free trade, but none of the

Sir Geoffrey: "He is absolutely right to draw attention to the need for the rules and obligations of the Community to be uniformly applied and observed throughout the Com-

It was therefore important that Mr Gummer had secured agreement at the Council of Ministers. MPs' attention returned to

food later when they started the report stage of the Food Safety Bill with a debate on irradiation. Dr David Clark, chief Opposition spokesman on food and agriculture moved a new clause to prevent ministers making regulations allowing irradiation of food for human consumption.

"If we had not had the BSE scare at present, one of the most contentious issues would have been food irradiation."

The Opposition had welcomed the Bill, but felt that it did not go far enough fast enough. Food irradiation was a technology looking for a use. For 50 years it had been hawked around the world as a panacea for food poisoning. The Government had dis-

missed thousands of scientists and the number of veterinary surgeons employed by the Government had dropped by 27 per cent, while there was a shortage of 420 environmental health Inevitably, there was a food

poisoning epidemic and there was a suspicion that the Government had jumped on the irradiation bandwagon and saw it as a quick fix. It was ironic that, as the rest of the world turned its back on irradiation, the British Government in the other and wrong direction.

ment clutched at it as a drowning man at a straw. The European Parliament had rejected much more limited proposals made by the Euro-pean Commission. The Com-mission had then returned with

"It is rather strange that our Government seems to be rushing headlong into adopting leg-islation. Why has it announced its intention to proceed with legislation on irradiation before a draft European directive has

even more limited proposals.



Mr James Couchman: Worried about French mineral water, wine, cheese and frogs

been agreed? Why jump the

There were dangers of using too high a level of irradiation. It

seemed to be a basic weakness

that there was no test which showed that food had been

irradiated and that made the

whole process potentially dan-gerous. The process was even

more dangerous if they talked of re-irradiation.

"Bad food can be dressed up

as good food, and that has been

Australia, having used irradiation now had a three-year moratorium on it. Many Ameri-

can states were banning it. It was

tragic that the rest of the world

Mr Matthew Taylor (Truro,

Lib Dem) said the Government

was quoting only the evidence of the World Health Organization in favour of irradiation in its

determination to force through

the legislation, conveniently ignoring those experts who were

proven in courts of law."

More pressure 'needed over Ravenscraig' POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

MINISTERS were urged yes-terday to make a united ap-proach to British Steel in an effort to save 770 jobs threatened under the plan to close the Ravenscraig hot strip mill at Motherwell.

During a 45-minute meeting with Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, the Opposition accused the Government of failing to do enough to save the jobs.

Mr Gordon Brown, the shadow trade secretary, said

afterwards: Government inni-isters have not got their act together and insufficient pres-sure is being put on British Steel".

He said there should be a joint

approach by the Department of Trade and Industry and the Scottish Office to persuade British Steel to change its plan to close the hot strip mill. Mr Brown said the chairman of British Steel, Sir Robert Scholey, would be more im-pressed if pressure was being put

on him by the Department of

Government as something of a lone protest by the Scottish Office," he said. He added that, although Mr Ridley and Mr Malcolm Riflind, Secretary of State for Scotland, had met earlier in the week, they had failed to mount a

concerted campaign to put pres-sure on British Steel to re-consider and reverse its de-In a statement issued after the meeting with a delegation MPs from Scotland, Mr Ridley said:

If British Steel conclude that the hot strip mill is not viable, this is a commercial and opera-tional decision for them to

"The Government's 'golden share' in British Steel only allows me to limit shareholdings to below 15 per cent to protect the company against un-welcome takeover bids while it finds its feet in the private sector."

The statement added that the golden share did not "give me powers to intervene in any operational matters. The issue the protests can be left to others.
Our worry is that British Steel
will interpret the position of the

operational matters. The issue
of my responsibility for the
Government's special share is
not relevant on this occasion".

time limits in cases of handicap and grave risk to the mother's health, the legislation now be-fore Parliament allows "abor-

tion up to birth". They also maintain that many MPs were unaware that that was the effect of their decisions in the complicated series of late-

night votes during the committee stages of the Human Fertilization and Embryology Bill, and that the issue must be reconsidered when the Bill completes its Commons stages this month. Miss Ann Widdecombe, Con-servative MP for Maidstone,

who saw her hopes of an abortion limit of at most 22 weeks dashed in the April debate, which chose a 24-week limit for most terminations, said at a press conference at West-minster: "As most MPs agree, there was utter confusion when late abortions were debated in April, and the results of the survey show that the House of Commons must be given a second opportunity to consider the matter.

"As things stand", she added, "the appalling decisions reached on the matter of late abortion clearly fly in the face of public

"People throughout the country have a right to know whether or not their local MPs truly want abortion up to birth or did they support such a decision in error."

Miss Widdecombe added that many MPs thought they were voting for a "simplifying admin-istrative measure" when they broke the link between the two

MPs opposed to liberalizing the abortion law have tabled a series of Commons amend-ments aimed at reinstating the 28-week limit for handicap and

risk to the mother. The Gallup poli found that 76 per cent of people wanted an upper limit of 24 weeks or less in cases of foetal handicap. A further 14 per cent supported 28 veeks. Three quarters of those surveyed opposed abortion on

Unsafe aircraft allowed to fly, say Labour members

TWO Labour MPs called for an urgent Commons statement on the British Airways industrial dispute at Heathrow, alleging that unsafe aircraft were flying from the airport because of it.

Mr David Nellist (Coventry South East, Lab) asserted that the dispute had been engineered by the British Airways management. He said that he had an eight-page list of 75 engineering faults and incidents in the 11 days up to Tuesday, many of which were life-threatening. These included one on Sunday when the captain of a Boeing 747 reported that his engine fire Nellist's call for a statement N

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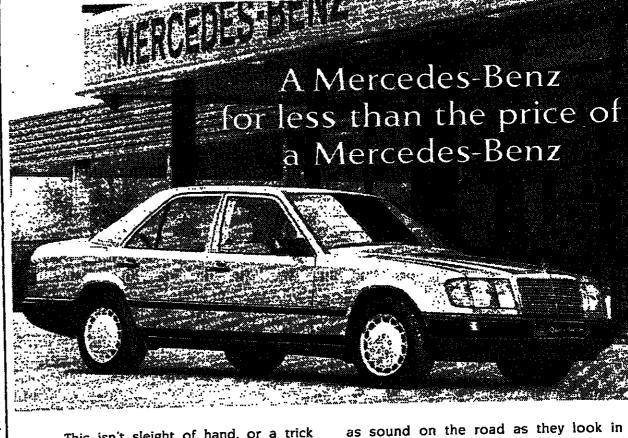
detection device was un-serviceable but was given dis-pensation to take off.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, Leader of the House, who was answering business questions, said he did not think Mr Nellist's remarks were the most helpful for "cool" am advised that safety is not being compromised."

about what he called the "dan-gerous game" being played by British Airways in connivance with the CAA, to allow certifi-cates and approvals to be given to unsafe aircraft, including Concorde and scores of other

Mr Skinner held up what he said was a computer printout of the number of unsafe aircraft that had flown in the past

Sir Geoffrey said that he would draw these remarks to the



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EC 'must assume defence role' By NICHOLAS WOOD

> Mr Ridley could be the likely course for the future.

to opt out The alternative was the "bru-tal and divisive" one of withholding EC payments until the desired structural changes

it urged Mr Douglas Hurd, the Foreign Secretary, to abandon his present proposals for limited reforms to European

outlined by Mr Ridley.
Mr Ashdown argued that as EC states drew together politi-cally and economically so forpragmatic pro-European and an unbending Thatcherite, and eign policy and security matters

tionships between the Community and Nato could be kept at

nitely to the United States for its defence and Nato had to evolve into the "keystone for the new pan-European security struc-

ence of our long-term approach to the maintenance of our own Mr Ashdown spoke against the creation of a centralized, bureaucratic Europe. Instead, power had to flow both from the nation state to more democratic

Others argued that there were no technical means of checking whether food had been ir-Leading article, page 15 NHS reports rejected

AN ALL-PARTY attempt to introduce annual reports and evaluation of changes in the National Health Service, was rejected in the House of Lords during the report stage of the National Health Service and Community Care Bill. The new clause moved by Lady Cox (C), proposing yearly reports by the regional health authorities to the Secretary of State for Health on the implementation of their duties under the Bill, was rejected by 135 votes to 104 — Government majority, 31. THE HOUSE OF LORDS

fundamental principle of public accountability on a matter of national importance, but they would also help to fill the information deficit which it is widely acknowledged, even within the Department of Health, still exists."

radiated.

Lord Ennals, Opposition spokesman on health, said that the proposals in the new clause were approved by the royal medical colleges, the Royal College of Nursing and other professional organizations. The new clause would ensure that constant evaluation took place and that all health authorities and other interested bodies were aware of what was happening so that they could

learn from it.

Lady Hooper, Under Secretary of State for Health, said that it was not difficult to accept the underlying aim of the new clause, but she deplored the attempt to continue the scaremongering about the reforms. All the measures in the Bill were intended to create a service that would improve the quality of clinical care as well as the delivery of care. In order to achieve that, the Government would monitor and review the implementation of the process.

It was important that the national picture should be seen so that all could benefit from improvements and remedies prepared to meet unforeseen difficulties. "These requirements would not only satisfy the

majority, 31.

Lady Cox said that when moving into an area of untried proposals it was essential that there should be a systematic evaluation of progress and that this should be in the public domain.

Her fear was that the kind of monitoring proposed by managers was not the same as a

Her fear was that the kind of monitoring proposed by managers was not the same as a systematic evaluation made nationwide on the effects of the changes. "There cannot be too much accountability. In health care, where people are vulnerable and problems are unforeseen, the implementation of new policies can cause real suffering and there must be quick information available."

It was important that the national picture

POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE European Community THE European Community
must gradually assume responsibility for the defence of its
member states, Mr Paddy
Ashdown said yesterday as he
called for radical changes in the
Community to respond to the
diminished threat from the East
and degrands for orgater unity. and demands for greater unity.

The Liberal Democrat leader accused both the Government

and Labour of failing to offer a vision of the EC's future and insisted that his party was the only one with a truly pro-European outlook. Conservative thinking about Europe was paralysed by in-ternal divisions over the issue

and Labour's claims to be in favour of the EC were built on the flimsiest of platforms. The truth is that both Labour and Conservatives are playing around on the nursery slopes

Britain is like a small dinghy being towed by an ocean-going liner, excluded from decisions about the course to be steered, but condemned to follow, buffeted in the wake, just the The Liberal Democrat lead-



er's remarks, in a speech at Shannon, co Clare, in the Irish Republic, came after the com-ments earlier this week by Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, who argued for a wider, multitier Europe with nations moving at their own pace towards economic and monetary union. Mr Ridley is the rare combination of an ardent if

there has been a positive re-action to his speech from the anti-federalist Bruges Group and Mr Teddy Taylor, the anti-market Tory MP for Southend Mr Taylor said that the "twintrack" future sketched out by

It would not cause irritation or distress within the Community because the United King-dom would not seem to be frustrating further development in it but simply seeking the right

were made. Meanwhile, the Bruges Group attacked the Foreign Office for its "minimalist" approach to European political union.

institutions and to embrace a far more radical vision of the kind

sues of common concern.

It was "incredible" to believe, as both Tories and Labour did, that Europe's affairs could be so compartmentalized that relationships between the Communicationships between the Communicationsh arm's length. Europe could not look indefi-

"I have the strongest feeling that it is only by making the step towards a new European Security Community that the US will be reassured of the coher-

European institutions, bolstered for example by the election of the president of the European Commission, and downwards and outwards to regions and By Michael Evans, defence correspondent

come convinced it can reach an agreement with Nato over the security status of a unified Germany, Mr James Baker, the United States Secretary of State, told alliance foreign ministers at Turnberry in

Mr Baker said that since the Washington summit there had been "a change in spirit" within the Soviet leadership on the German question. He told his Nato counterparts at the spring meeting of the North Atlantic Council, held in the beautiful surroundings of the famous golf links, that the first sign of this change emerged from talks he had with Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, in Copenhagen this

Europe. "For our part, we want to share the nuclear risk as widely among the alliance as possible while holding to a nuclear posture that our publics and the rest of Europe find politically reassuring."

Although it was not discussed at the meeting, one postponed if there were a nuclear weapon issue, the chance of unified elections, nuclear weapon issue, the development and possible although there was a dea deployment of Tactical Air to of January 13 next year. Surface Missiles (TAASMs), is likely to lead to difficulties between Bonn and Washington. German sources yesterday emphasized that Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the West German Foreign Minister, had made it clear in the ing Polish borders. past that he would not accept nuclear TAASMs forward-deployed in Germany. The US decision is that these new missiles are being developed and that discussion on deployment will come later.

According to a senior US official, Mr Shevardnadze told Mr Baker that he was "impressed" by the efforts being made by the West to find a formula on Germany that would meet Soviet security interests. Although Moscow had not yet shifted from its ing on Germany was reflected position of opposing Nato in all the discussions.

MOSCOW has suddenly be-membership for a united Germany, Mr Shevardnadze had given a clear impression that more likely.

Yesterday, as Mrs Thatcher underlined her belief, in a lunchtime speech to the foreign ministers, that Nato must preserve its basic principles as its plan for the future including the retention of nuclear weapons forward-deployed in Europe - the general mood at the Turnberry meeting was one of real optimism.

Herr Genscher set out a challenging timetable, for agreements to be reached with the Soviet Union before the end of this year. He said that the "two plus four" talks on be wound up before November. The same month, he The Secretary of State said wants a signing of a Con-that Nato needed to move ventional Forces in Europe rapidly on its assessment of Treaty and a 35-nation Connuclear force requirements for ference on Security and Cooperation in Europe summit.

Herr Genscher said the legal reunification of the two Germanies was not far away, although he could not give a date. He added that West Germany's federal elections, due in December, could be although there was a deadline

He also disclosed that on June 21 the West German Bundestag and the East Ger-mans Volkskammer would be issuing a formal declaration confirming that the two parliaments recognized the exist-

The timing of the declaration, which will embody the wording of a treaty, ultimately to be signed between the government of a unified Germany and Poland, is significant. For it will be made the day before the next scheduled meeting of the "two plus four" talks, in East Berlin. Poland will be represented at the following meeting in July in

The optimistic assessment by Mr Baker of Soviet think-

Gorbachov signals Warsaw Pact end

From RICHARD OWEN IN MOSCOW

PRESIDENT Gorbachov yes- saw Pact member had exterday signalled the end of the pressed the desire to leave. Warsaw Pact in its present Instead there had been a form by offering "radical redebate on the concept of à la forms" and proposing that carte membership along Nato joint bodies be set up with lines, with states deciding Nato to put the seal on the end whether, and to what extent to of the Cold War.

of its top-level meeting yesterday, the Warsaw Pact said it was "necessary to review the be the "driving force" for a character and functions of the organization" so as to transform it into "a pact of sovereign and emancipated states based on democratic ished, but gave no details. He principles". The meeting agreed to set up a commission to draw up detailed proposals, including reform of the unified military command, to be submitted to the next toplevel gathering in the autumn.

The declaration said the reorganized Warsaw Pact hoped to consult Nato with a view to working towards European stability and disarmament agreements. The declaration did not address the problem of a united Germany directly, but Mr Yuli Kvitsinsky, the Soviet Union's Deputy Foreign Minister, said that nobody had proposed that a united Germany should be-long to Nato. Mr Gorbachov told the meeting it was the 'sacred right" of a united Germany to decide its own

Mr Kvitsinsky said no War- peace and stability".

participate in the military In a declaration at the end structure. He said the interreaction between the new Warsaw Pact and Nato could

new era of European stability.

Mr Kvitsinsky said that "obsolete structures" in the Warsaw Pact would be abolsaid he hoped that Nato would follow the Warsaw Pact's "good example" in transforming itself to meet the new circumstances of East-West relations. Contrary to 'gloomy forecasts", however, the Warsaw Pact was still alive while responding to the new situation "sensitively and ade-

quately". The Warsaw Pact declaration said East and West now had purely geographical meaning, and old ideological concepts of "the enemy" had disappeared.

Mr Gorbachov later told Herr Lothar de Maizière, East Germany's Christian Democrat Prime Minister, that the Soviet Union would not hinder German unification provided it was "part of the European process leading to



Exports to East relaxed

By Andrew McEwen DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

THE West has agreed to abolish most controls on exports of high-technology goods to East Germany, and to ease restrictions applied to other East European countries and the Soviet Union. However, proposals to build a fibreoptics communications system across the Soviet Union have been blocked.

The Co-ordinating Committee on Multilateral Export Controls (Cocom) approved a number of changes after two days of talks in Paris. In Bonn, Herr Helmut Haussmann, the West German Economics Minister, welcomed the changes, which would help East Germany and other East European countries to restructure their economies

Diplomatic sources said the number of items banned for export to Warsaw Pact nations had been cut by about a third, Certain types of computers, machine tools and telecommunications equipment were among the items approved.

But Britain and the United States have discouraged two consortiums, one British and one American, from applying for licences to build modern communication lines across the Soviet Union using fibreoptic technology.

The United States has been under pressure for years from some European members of Cocom to agree to fewer restrictions. The timing of the US-British move may be a diplomatic signal to other countries that the system should not be dismantled too quickly.



Herr Haussman: Trade relaxations welcomed

Mints in the West work overtime as unity nears

From Ian Murray in bonn

a prospect already creating a boom in West Germany, according to figures released here this week which show that the gross national product and the number of job vacancies is rising swiftly while unemployment is falling.

Over the past quarter, GNP grew by 4.4 per cent, com-pared with only 2.5 per cent in the previous quarter, when re-unification still seemed remote. Unemployment, meanwhile, fell by 5 per cent in May to 1,823,000. This means that 7 per cent of workers are now trast, the unemployment rate unemployed, compared with is rising swiftly with more 7 per cent of workers are now

by virtue of both the new Herr Dieter Fosse, their trea- coins a day.

ONE of West Germany's most

wanted terrorists, Frau Su-sanne Albrecht, aged 39, has

been arrested in East Berlin,

probably with the help of

information supplied by a

former member of the East

She had been "overseas",

possibly in the Middle East,

for the past two years, but had

Germany on Sunday to change her money into

Deutschmarks when currency

union is introduced at the

Red Army Faction (RAF) of

Jürgen Ponto, the chairman of

the Dresdner Bank, she had

as an East German citizen for

Wanted for her part in the

beginning of next month.

German Stasi secret police.

ECONOMIC union between settlers from East Germany surer, said. There were real the two Germanies on July 2 is and the preparation for the expected surge in demand after economic union - is an important factor in creating both jobs and wealth. Herr Helmut Haussmann,

the Economics Minister, welcomed the figures as "convincing evidence of the present dynamic of the German economy", which meant that, on the threshold of currency, economic and social union with East Germany, business was in an "extraordinarily healthy condition".

In East Germany, by con-

East Berlin aids Bonn in

arrest of woman terrorist

From Ian Murray in Bonn

ister, as "an extraordinary success for the close working

relationship of the police in both parts of Germany".

arrest at a press conference in

East Berlin yesterday, Herr

Peter-Michael Diestel, the

East German Interior Min-

had been received from the

West German federal pros-

ecutor on May 15 and that she

had then been traced by the

East German Central Crim-

inal Office. She was arrested at

This all indicates that the

West German authorities had

information about the false

identity of Frau Albrecht, who

suburb on Wednesday.

Announcing details of the

West German Interior Min- arrived in East Germany 10

ister, said that an application family, she was the god-to hand Frau Albrecht over daughter of Herr Ponto. She

fears that small businesses would rapidly be bankrupted by the competition from big Western chain stores after economic union. Restaurants and shops in particular were being asked to shut for a day.

Despite the worries, preparations for "X-Day" - as July 2 is called - are now well advanced. So that savers can complete the necessary formalities in time, banks are staying open daily until 6pm, and extra staff are being drafted in so branches can open at weekends. The West German mints in

Hamburg, Munich, Stuttgart 7.9 per cent at the turn of the than 100,000 people now reg- and Karlsruhe have been year, even though more than istered as out of work. Con- working overtime since the 100,000 East Germans have cern about the effects of state treaty on economic since joined the labour mar- Western competition on East union was agreed just more ket. This is the lowest level of Germany led on Wednesday than a month ago. Even with unemployment for eight years. to chambers of trade and machines stamping out 750 The number of registered industry and representatives coins a minute, however, it is unemployed is 150,000 lower of small businesses in East not altogether certain that the than it was a year ago, despite Berlin calling a series of deadline for changeover will the arrival of 721,000 ethnic warning strikes for yesterday be met. The main Hamburg Germans during 1989. In- and today. "We feel ourselves mint is working from 7 am to creased consumer demand — abandoned all down the line," 4pm, producing two million

years ago from Czecho-slovakia. Herr Diestel did not

exclude the possibility that her

identity had been known to

the communist regime, and it

is certain that the Stasi must

have been fully aware of who

The daughter of a well-to-do

had become involved with the

Red Army Faction through

working as an assistant in the office of a lawyer who was in

charge of the defence of two

In July, 1977, she made use

of her close relationship with

Herr Ponto to call to see him

with flowers and two "friends." The intention was

to hold him as hostage against

the release of four RAF mem-

bers, but he put up a struggle

RAF members.

plane standing by to evacuate about 200 expatriates amid fears that the fighting could block the last overland route. A spokesman for the Foreign Office said it was understood the American charter flights on Sunday would be open to other than Americans.

UK among top 12 polluters

Mr Alan Brewster, the institute's vice-president, said yesterday that it was to be hoped that the new information presented by this independent policy research centre would make "a profound difference in international decision-making."

Wallenberg may be still alive

In a report released here yesterday it said the evidence was "credible" that he was alive in the 1970s and 1980s.

EC's Burma call Bangkok - The European

Burmese Army to hand over power "without delay" to the victorious opposition and to release political prisoners.

Emergency to quell Central Asian conflict

From RICHARD OWEN IN MOSCOW

THE Soviet authorities, struggling to contain an explosion of ethnic rivalries, declared a state of emergency yesterday in Franze, the capital of Kirghizia, after warnings that violence there was spilling over into a war with neighbouring Uzbekistan.

Mr Vadim Bakatin, the Soviet Interior Minister, said that 48 people had been killed in four days of clashes sparked off by a dispute, over land in the town of Osh, between native Kirghiz and local Uzbeks. Almost 350 people have been injured, more than 80 of them police or soldiers.

Mr Bakatin told the Supreme Soviet that what had started as local riots were developing into armed clashes between the republics of Kirghizia and Uzbekistan. 'The violence has spread," he The state of emergency had

been declared in Frunze because of mass demonstrations by Kirghiz students and local residents demanding that the local party and government leadership resign, and giving it three days to do so. Reports said that 4,000 protesters had laid siege to official buildings. Mr Bakatin told deputies that the conflict in Kirghizia was the result of "idiocy, conceit and red tape in the allocation of land, in which the interests of one nationality were ignored".

Americans told to flee Monrovia

AS REBEL forces yesterday closed in on Monrovia, the Liberian capital, America urged the last 1,200 of its citizens in the country to take what may be their final chance to leave in Sunday's airlift (Libby Jukes writes).

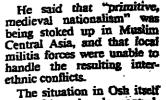
West Germany also has a

Geneva - Twelve countries including Britain, which is number eight with 2.7 per cent are the source of two-thirds of the pollutant gases said by scientists to be responsible for global warming, the 1990-91 report by the World Resources Institute in Washington says (Alan McGregor writes). The US heads the list with 17.6 per cent of the total.

Swedish diplomat who saved thousands of Jews from the Nazis, did not die in 1947 as Moscow claims, is incontrovertible, according to an international commission of

and called on Moscow to release him if still alive. (AFP)

Community has called on the



was stable and under control. But "many thousands of people", armed with stones and weapons, were gathering between Osh and Andizhan across the border in Uzbekistan. More were streaming from Frunze to try to join the fighting. Soviet journalists in the region reported that Uzbeks in Osh and other Kirghiz towns had appealed to Uzbekistan for aid.

Kirghiz nationalists, many of them students, assembled yesterday in the main square at Frunze, the scene of violent demonstrations on Wednesday night, to urge all Kirghiz to go to Osh to fight the Uzbeks. Tass said that "columns of them were chanting slogans such as 'Kirghiz unite' and 'all Kirghiz to Osh'."

Mr Bakatin said that 1,500 troops, 450 border guards and 900 Interior Ministry troops had been sent to quell the unrest, but were in danger of being overwhelmed.

The agency, reporting on the Frunze demonstration, said: "Participants in the rally forgot their demands, made in the morning, that Kirghiz should be allowed to leave for Osh. The protesters, or at least their leaders, are now more

interested in power." Tass added that demonstrators had booed and hissed the President of Kirghizia, Mr Absamat Masaliyev, when he tried to address them. Izvestia said that in 10 areas of Kirghizia police units were in danger of being overwhelmed by thousands of Uzbeks.

Kirghizia, which borders on Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and Kazakhstan, has a population of just over four million, of whom half are Kirghiz, a quarter Russian and around 15 per cent Uzbek.

Reports from Tashkent said that interior ministry troops had sealed off the border between Kirghizia and Uzbekistan in an attempt to keep the people of the two republics apart.

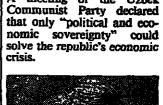
Mr Bakatin proposed an mmediate declaration by all 15 Soviet republics guaranteeing the rights of ethnic

Chinghiz Aitmatov, the member of Mr Gorbachov's Presidential Council, issued a statement urging Kirghiz and Uzbeks to restore order and remain calm.

Last night Tass said that, despite such appeals and the presence of armoured cars in Osh, disturbances were continuing sporadically and rioters were still looting shops.

Troops had taken over shops and warehouses to distribute food.

Meanwhile, Uzbekistan, whose Prime Minister, Mr Shukurullah Mirsaidov, appealed on television for calm, yesterday joined the growing list of republics demanding independence from Moscow. A meeting of the Uzbek Communist Party declared Copenhagen — The evidence Communist Party declared that Raoul Wallenberg, the that only political and eco-





tape and conceit blamed

Cash is key to victory in East Europe's war of the ballot Czechoslovak elections. In general it was communists do really own the deeds of expert for the UDF, complains: "There mally not to accept foreign assistance.

returned on leave to East to hand Frau Albrecht over

1977 murder by the left-wing her home in an East Berlin

been living under a false name only recently been given

The arrest was welcomed by had been living under the Herr Wolfgang Schauble, the name of Ingrid Jager since she

From Roger Boyes INSOPIA

THE hallot-box war against communism in East Europe is being fought with Western razzmatazz - colourful stickers, giveaway T-shirts, and video clips starring lisping children and square-chinned, honest-looking adults.

But the campaigning, and the whole shift to a multi-party system, is proving expensive and dangerous. As more and more new groups rise up and then collapse at the polls, it is becoming clear that party financing is one of the most pressing problems of the new democracies in the East.

The headquarters of the Bulgarian opposition, the Union of Democratic Forces (UDF), is a creaking, grimy six-storey building, draped in blue, on Rakovski Street here. Music blares out and student volunteers bustle up and down the staircases, as do Western donors with briefcases full of dollars. Mr Stefan Tafrov of the Union says: "We do not accept any contributions with strings

attached. That would be impermissible. The communist party, now called the Socialists, and the UDF agreed infor-

But the reality is that the communists have almost unlimited access to hard currency because the party has been twinned with the state structure since the war. "Dollars buy photocopiers, and faxes - without them we cannot run a modern campaign," remarks Mr Tafrov, a campaign organizer.

The risks of launching a democracy with insufficient funds became apparent in the Polish local council elections last month. Solidarity-backed candidates won overwhelmingly, partly because only they had enough funds to print posters and run a campaign. Smaller right-wing parties, unable to seize the attention of the uncommitted, dribbled away. Most significantly, in the elections - Poland's first free poiling since the war - the turnout was a mere 42 per cent. The sense of competition fostered by high-profile campaigning simply did not

The first step after the revolutions of 1989 was to pronounce communism dead at the ballot box: that was the effect of the Polish elections in June 1989 and this year's East German, Hungarian and enough to form an anti-communist front or in Romania's case an anti-Ceausescu coalition.

the past 10 years.

But some of these groups are cracking up - the Bulgarian UDF almost col-lapsed before the elections, Solidarity is splitting painfully into centre-right and centre-left factions, while the Czechoslovak Civil Forum is also undergoing an upheavai.

The parties that are emerging from these broken shells must now present alternatives to people who for 45 years have grown up with no-choice politics. That requires access to television - a right won by most East European parties - but, above all, money. The old communist parties may have lost their monopoly on power but still command assets - buildings and office space, car fleets and printing presses. Opposition groups are struggling for a slice of these

The East German Parliament last month passed a law seizing any ill-gotten assets of the communist party. In Poland, there has been much legal detective work to discover whether the

their various properties; the communistcontrolled press monopoly, its main money-spinner, has indeed been broken

Money buys votes in the Balkans. In a tiny village 50 miles outside Sofia yesterday, the communist-dominated town council was giving out free blankets to old-age pensioners. In other commu-nities, teenagers are being given beer money to rip down UDF posters.

New anti-communist parties are dependent on electoral laws that allocate limited government funds to each of them. The Romanian National Salva-tion Front assigned 200,000 lei (about £5,900) to each of its rivals. This was obviously not enough, and the Agrarian and Liberal parties resented the handout. The leaders of these two parties were millionaires who had made their fortunes in the West. They largely financed the campaign themselves but were unable to make much headway against Mr Ion Iliescu, who picked up 86 per cent of the presidential ballot.

were 1,000 posters advertising my candidature in my constituency and they were pulled down overnight. Now I have to pay out of my own pocket for new ones to be printed."

The UDF posters are chiefly printed on paper donated by the West (a Britishbased millionaire) and some of the basic printing was carried out by Solidarity presses in Poland. Sofia and Prague are awash with Western donors: the National Republican Institute, Democracy Watch, Free Elections, and many others.

UDF organizers say that the cash, though welcome, can never be enough to compete with the communists' wealth. What the UDF does have is a legion of Western advisers, most of them working free. Jacques Segela, who helps orchestrate President Mitterrand's campaigns, has been showing the UDF how to put together television advertisements and market the party - hence the distinctive blue stickers and gifts distributed in the main cities.

The communists have hit back with One opposition candidate in Bulgaria,
Mr Venceslas Dimitru, an economics

badges depicting a cheeky-looking cartoon character dressed in red. These are

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much sought after by children; not bad for a party linked to political murders over the past 40 years.

Western cash can be a poisonous gift. There is much loose talk in Sofia of the US Central Intelligence Agency. The UDF hierarchy is quarrelling about how much of the donated cash each of its constituent parties should be allocated. The opposition party will not allow another opposition party - sharing the same office - to use its photocopier

without payment. It seems sure that the turnout in the Polish council elections would have been even lower than 42 per cent if Western money had been barred. Solidarity was helped by fundraisers in New York, Chicago and Canada.

"The trick is to get a correct balance between local support, foreign funds and party-owned businesses such as newspapers or publishing houses," said a weary Western adviser in the \$140-anight Sheraton Hotel in Sofia. "A fledgeling democracy must not become over-dependent on Western help - that just erodes sovereignty and fuels nationalism.*

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Czechoslovak poll marred by disputes in democratic camp

From Richard Bassett in prague

today and tomorrow in their first free elections for 42 years. Given the strong pre-war democratic traditions of the Czech crown lands, these are set to be the least controversial of this year's elections in

Not that the 20-odd parties in the contest have been averse to the occasional welltimed accusation to discredit an opponent Even Civic Forum, President Havel's "moral" umbrella organiza-tion, felt constrained on Wednesday night to deliver a parting shot at his Christian Democrat rivals by arranging for state television to do down Mr Josef Bartoncik, the chairman of the People's Party which is in coalition with the Christian Democrats.

Mr Bartoncik has long been the subject of allegations linking him with the secret police. The allegations have also been directed at Mr Richard Sacher, the Interior Minister, but the timing of Wednesday night's accusations left few Czechs in any doubt that Civic Forum is keen to enjoy out-right power after the elections, without the help of any other

Dr Irena Pankowa, for many years a Roman Catholic activist, said: "It is a great mistake. The Forum should realize that Czechoslovakia today needs consensus.

"Only if it works with the other major opposition party, the Christian Democrats, can

CZECHS and Slovaks vote exploiting these weaknesses." today and tomorrow in their The Forum government also appears to see nothing wrong in its faintly sharp practice of finally deciding to detain ousted Communist chiefs on

the eve of the elections. Initially, the Forum proposed working only as an interim government after seizing power last November. Now the organization appears determined to rule the country at least until elections in 1992.

Its chief rival, the Christian Democrats, are weak in Bohemia, where they are expected to gain between 12 and 15 per cent of the vote, but powerful in Slovakia, where they might, despite the Forum's latest manoeuvres, win a majority.

liament is the Communist Party which, under Mr Vasil Mohreta, is resigned to two years of the lowest of low

In contrast to other Central European communist parties, the Czechoslovak Communists have refrained from changing their name. The present party will reform its ideology, regroup on a smaller basis and sit back while the antagonisms between the Czech Civic Forum and the Slovak Christian Democrats envelop political life.

These rifts cannot be ignoted. At a Forum rally earlier this week in the Slovak cap-Bratislava, spectators came to blows when Mr Havel Also almost certain to be appeared in an attempt to represented in the new Pardefend the Forum's position.

'Spy' slur may deprive coalition of top post

From Peter Green in prague

of the People's Party, a key Christian Democrat partner, sink any chance the Christian Democrats may have of winning the Prime Minister's

leading candidate for the post, it stop the Communists, who said the allegations should not Havel, a Czec are still very powerful, from have been made on the eve of Civic Forum.

ALLEGATIONS against Mr the election. "It could in-Josef Bartoncik, the chairman fluence the election results in the Czech republic. If the Christian parties do not have a that he was a long-time secret strong enough position in police informer threaten to parliament and government I would not be willing to serve as Prime Minister."

As a Slovak and Christian, Mr Carnogursky, who leads
Mr Jan Carnogursky, the the Slovak Christian Demo-Deputy Prime Minister and a crat Movement, would be a logical choice, with President said the allegations should not Havel, a Czech, and allied to



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Walesa seen as 'dictatorial' in Solidarity row

A SOLIDARITY ideologist it plans to hold the elections yesterday accused Mr Lech Walesa of acting dictatorially and said that his supporters were trying to destabilize the Solidarity-led Government to get him elected President of Poland.

Mr Adam Michnik, whom Mr Walesa tried to dismiss as editor of the Solidarity newspaper Gazeta Wyborcza, accused the movement's leader of arrogance in attacking him and others who oppose his attempt to win the presidency. "From the leader of Solidar-

ity, a mass movement of Polish democracy, you are slowly changing into a Caesar," Mr Michnik said in an unprecedented public criti-cism of Mr Walesa.

He made the remark in an exchange of letters between the two men published by Gazeta Wyborcza, a mass circulation daily.

Mr Michnik said that the real dispute with Mr Walesa was over changes in Poland's political landscape — an apparent reference to the break-up of Solidarity as a broad political movement.

It also involved "persistent destabilization attempts by supporters of an idea for the existing parliament to elect Lech Walesa President in the autumn", Mr Michnik added

Mr Walesa and his supporters want the first fully democratic parliamentary and pres-idential elections in Poland since the Second World War to be held in the autumn. The Government of Mr Tadeusz a long-time communist, is Mazowiecki, the Prime Minister, says that it needs time to push through its programme 65 per cent of the seats in of economic reforms and that Parliament.

In the first sign that oppo-nents of Mr Walesa might back off from an all-out clash, Mr Michnik said that the Solidarity leader had a good chance of becoming President with the backing of his former allies, on condition that he was President of a democratic

Poland and did not become monarch of a post-com-

munist empire". Mr Walesa stepped up his attack on Mr Mazowiecki and his supporters, accusing them of halting democratization, delaying elections and clinging to power without a popular mandate. He said that his former friends in the Government should have launched a terrific democratic process after the communist party's dissolution in January instead of maintaining structures with

no popular mandate. The whole political set-up which I built has been stopped and it has stopped at a very useful place for itself, which frightens me," Mr Walesa

"I am unhappy about it and I want to shake it up. I am sorry these people are my friends, but friends, you have sat down on your seats and you are sitting there, and there is no movement forward."

He accused them of seeking to serve their own interests in maintaining political struc-tures agreed with the communists last year, under which General Wojciech Jaruzelski, President and former communists and their allies hold

Jackson calls on Barry to resign

From Peter Stothard, us editor, in Washington

As Mr Barry's drugs and defence very difficult. perjury trial entered its fourth tion, Mr Jackson, who was once seen as a potential

a settlement". The move is seen as an important indicator that Mr Barry's radical black power base might prefer him to make a plea bargain than to fight a trying to "infect" the jury by trial in which the community's dirtiest political linen would be lengthily and publicly aired. So far, however, the Mayor has refused any bargain which would depend on his admitting a "felony offence". A guilty plea to perjury, for example, could send him to prison and out of

the political scene. The prosecutors yesterday continued with their preparations for what looks set to be a uniquely political courtroom battle. Among other matters, they grappled with the problem of how to refer to the Mayor in court - as "the defendant" or, in deference to the special status of the politician who for 12 years has ruled the nation's capital, as "Mr Barry"?

Yesterday Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson complained that the questioning of potential jurors was "way, way behind schedule". He has restricted lawyers on both sides to five minutes only for questions about jurors' attitudes to the case.

A key demand is whether a juror would be able to reject a suggestion from another juror that "you disregard the law of evidence, and decide the case on other grounds".

The prosecuting lawyers will challenge any juror who openly proclaims his preference for politics over evidence. But they are not confident that the question will be answered truthfully.

Only a month ago it appeared that Mayor Barry's much-respected lawyer, Mr R. Kenneth Mundy, could rely heavily on a so-called "entrapment" defence. The principle charge at that time arose from the "sting" operation in Janu-ary, in which Mr Barry was lured to the Vista Hotel by a former girlfriend and offered FBI "crack", while FBI video cameras rolled to record the

Mr Mundy might have argued that Mr Barry had no prediposition to smoke "crack", and had done so only under pressure. It was rumoured that the video-recording revealed the girlfriend as taunting Mr Barry as a "chicken" for his initial reluctance to use the drug.

Since then, however, the prosecutors have filed additional charges relating to separate use of drugs over a number of years. Although these charges stem chiefly

THE Rev Jesse Jackson has from the evidence of assocalled on Mr Marion Barry, ciates whose credibility is the Mayor of Washington, to weakened by their being resign and so remove the chief granted immunity from procause of the "persecution and secution, enough mud may stick to make an entrapment

It is widely believed in day of controversial jury selec- Washington that Mr Barry, while maybe not a fully dependent drug addict, did certainly successor to the Mayor, said have a predisposition to use that "a candid statement of his drugs. To suggest otherwise plans would be a a major step may strain even a friendly jury's patience Mr Barry has accused his

opponents of leaking a copy of the tape to a local television station. The prosecution yesterday accused the defence of the charge of leaking the tape. Some local reporters think it

more likely that the Barry camp would leak the tape, itself, hoping that prior publication might weaken its impact or even rule it out as evidence.

Both sides have experts on hand in the newly fashionable legal science of videotape analysis. It is not uncommon for the poor quality of secret recordings to allow legal dispute about the the precise words used, their meaning in the particular context, and the editing or enhancement to



over 'leaked' videotape

which the tape may have been subject after the events took

The "chicken" may be just such a disputed item. When Mr Barry describes himself as "good" is he referring or from abstinence from drugs or from extra-marital sex? The jury will have to decide.

The defence lawyers have also considered a defence based on the Mayor's admitted alcoholism. During his currently much-publicized treatment programmes, he has never admitted cocaine addiction.

But an alcoholism defence could require the opening of medical records. There would be too great a danger, the defence seems to have decided, that these might reveal drug-related dependency, 100.

Nor would proof of his alcoholism necessarily be sufficient for a defence of diminished responsibility in respect of the other charges. The best hope would be to argue that when he allegedly perjured himself before a grand jury in 1978, his responsibility was reduced by alcohol.





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Californians' vote may sound retreat for US tax revolt

sparked America's anti-tax restep this week that has politicians and analysts humming with excitement and talking of a watershed. It voted for tax

By the narrowest of margins portation. The same measure permits the relaxation of strict controls on state spending which the same electorate imposed in 1968.

Some argue that the vote has little wider relevance; others that it signals that voters are now prepared to support tightly targeted tax increases to meet specific, urgent needs. But many contend that it foreshadows the end of the decade-long Reagan era during which to talk of raising taxes, however unbalanced the budget and desperate the need for revenue, was political suicide.

CALIFORNIA, the state that have been more timely. The merely showed that Califor-White House and Congress are resuming negotiations in Washington on how to slash a ballooning budget deficit forecast of about \$200 billion (£119 billion) next year.

The vote will double California's petrol tax from 9 Californians supported a measure to double the tax on a five-year period, generating petrol to pay for radical revenues of \$18.5 billion over petrol to pay for radical revenues of \$18.5 billion over improvements in trans- a decade to be spent on highway improvements and new mass transit systems. The extra annual cost to an average motorist, who presently pays around \$1.12 a gallon,

> Dr Arthur Laffer, the conservative Californian in the country." economist whose 1970s sup-ply-side theories inspired sub-sequent Reagan budgets, said: "It really does end the tax"
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> • First black: Mr Harvey
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> Gantt this week became the
> first black person to be nominated for a statewide race in revolt and sends a signal to Washington which I dislike intensely. If California gives up on the tax revolt, can Washington be far behind?"

nians were sick of sitting in traffic jams. "To suggest that this signals the end of the tax revolt is totally erroneous." Democrats in Washington were quick to interpret the California vote.

Senator James Sasser, chairman of the Senate budget committee, said it shows that voters will now swallow tax increases when they are "absolutely necessary". Mr Thomas Foley, the House Speaker, observed: "The tax revolt, which allegedly started in California, has been tempered by the realization that we have to make investments

nated for a statewide race in North Carolina in more than a century. He comfortably won a Democratic run-off and will aising taxes, however unalanced the budget and deserate the need for revenue,
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Up on the tax revolt, can
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Mr Larry McCarthy, president of the National Taxpayers' Union, said the vote

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Challenge for the Senate seat of
Mr Jesse Helms, the rightwould need about 40 per cent
of the white vote to win.

Democrat, Mr Richard Sol-

omon, the Assistant Secretary

of State for East Asian and

Pacific Affairs, indicated that

the Administration was con-cerned about the possible

export of chemical weapon

ingredients by China to the

Middle East, but declined to

level," Mr Solomon said.

gas ingredients to Libya.

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Chinese not to sell key poison

America's latest concerns

have raised new questions about the Administration's

conciliatory policy towards Peking. The Administration

recently decided to extend

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and nuclear weapons.

Chinese and Mongolian af-

fairs and one of Mr Solomon's

aides, said that China had

promised not to sell M9

missiles to Syria and had

offered a more general assur-

ance not to sell medium-range

missiles to the Middle East. Mr Wiedeman said the

elaborate.



First stop: Mr Nelson Mandela and his wife, Winnie, being greeted by M Jacques Chirac, Mayor of Paris, at the Hôtel de Ville yesterday as the deputy president of the African National Congress began a six-week, 13-nation tour of Europe, North America and Africa

US claims China aiding Libyan poison gas plans

CHINA, according to intelligence reports, is considering the sale to Libya of chemicals that can be used to make in March that a fire that poison gas, officials of Presi- month at Libya's chemical dent Bush's Administration said here. They said that after might have been a hoax it was learnt that repre-engineered by Colonel Gadafit was learnt that repre-sentatives of Chinese companies and Libyan officials were negotiating the sale, the Administration asked the Chi- it is back in operation. nese Government not to go

Such a sale, the officials a senior State Department said, would violate China's official testified before the express commitment not to Senate foreign relations comencourage the spread of poi- mittee on the Administrason gas to the Middle East. tion's policy towards China. Libya's chemical weapons Under sharp questioning by

worry for the United States. inistration officials said weapons factory at Rabta fi, the Libyan leader. The CIA has detected recent activity at the complex but no proof that

Washington's new concerns emerged on Wednesday when

Peking decides to punish protesters

gency late-night meeting after ganized, planned and plotted? student protests at Peking and decided to "deal severely" University this week and decided to "deal severely" with the unrest, an informed party and expulsions, he said, "The source said yesterday.

Party leaders met after about 200 students hurled bottles out of dormitory windows and held a rally of about 1.000 students on Sunday their democracy movement, political prisoners.

THE Chinese Communist The source said the meeting most favoured nation trading Party Politburo held an emer- branded the protests as "or- status to China and has also with the incident. The policy would likely include arrests sudden Politburo meeting shows the leadership is very nervous about possible un-

rest," the source said. The leaders were still confident enough to proceed with night to mark the anniversary the announcement on Wedof last year's crackdown on nesday of the release of 97

Herzog tries to end the deadlock

From Our Correspondent IN JERUSALEM

IN AN effort to break Israel's political impasse, President meet to form an emergency

the Labour Party, accepted the invitation, but there was no response from the office of the Prime Minister, Mr Yitzhak Shamir, who heads the right-

The appeal from the President came as Mr Shamir struggled to form a new gov-ernment by this week, which is

The Israeli political system Middle East peace process.

since April 27 to construct a narrow coalition that would include the 40 seats in his Likud bloc and more than 20 from ultra-religious and rightwing nationalist parties.

resulted in a single agreement being signed with any of the to supporting Mr Shamir.

both the main parties acknowledged that "quiet" talks were still under way to determine if Labour and Likud could find common ground for a new coalition.

In response, Mr Ket Wiedeman, the director of the State Department's office of

marginal groups." • Soldier sentenced: An Israeli military court has sentenced a sergeant to four months of army work detail, for killing a Palestinian during a raid on an occupied West

violated the Army's instructions by shooting the 22-yearold Arab as he was fleeing. The orders specify that sol-diers must call on Arabs to halt and then shoot in the air

North Korea denounces 'traitorous' Gorbachov

agency said yesterday that "all

how successful he has been in LOSING friends as quickly as Moscow seems to be making promising Seoul's cash as bait for diplomatic recognition. them, North Korea yesterday lashed out at one of its few Working through all the remaining allies when it declichés in the Cold War lexinounced the "unpardonable, con, North Korea's state news

traitorous bargaining" be-tween President Gorbachov facts prove that the talks and President Roh Tae Woo between Roh Tae Woo and Gorbachov ... were an un-pardonable, traitorous barg-The attack against the Soviet leader by Pyongyang, barely imaginable even a few aining" and it bitterly denounced the Roh Tae Woo months ago, follows the his-toric meeting in San Francisco group's "flunkeyist, submissive and traitorous trip, which has put the existence of the on Monday between President Gorbachov and Mr Roh, who nation and the future destiny is the one more used to insults of the country in danger".

from his northern neighbour.

It is probably Mr Roh's Tokyo, said: "Yesterday the surest sign yet of how rapidly traitor Roh called at the his relations with the comimperial house of Japan, the munist world in general, and old enemy of our nation, and with the Soviet Union in made a bow, and today went

salutation to it and bow on his knees even to the Soviet Union. Our people cannot but have a doubt about the attitude of the Kremlin which sat face-to-face with such a dictator.

Although the Soviet Union remains North Korea's main supplier of aid and arms, Pyongyang's ageing and reclusive leader, Mr Kim Il Sung, seems to have run out of patience with Moscow and its descent into détente.

His attack on Mr Gorb-achov emphasizes his isolation. Mr Kim has never really recovered from the bloody downfall last December of Nicolae Ceausescu, who ruled Romania in the sort of style that Mr Kim admires. He was stung when less hardline Eastern European nations ignored his call to boycott the 1988 Seoul Olympics.

While Japan's relations with the Soviet Union are still frosty because of rival claims to a string of small islands off northern Japan, Seoul has exploited the opportunity to woo the cash-starved and investment-hungry Eastern bloc. The aim of this diplomacy is to drive a wedge between Pyongyang and Moscow that might speed up the reunification of the Korean

That has long been the goal of every South Korean leader. But while his Government's popularity is crumbling at home because of economic problems and labour unrest, the chance of being the man to succeed is even more attractive to Mr Rob. He may take Pyongyang's outburst as another milestone passed.

In Kuala Lumpur, the visiting Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr Igor Rogachev, said that Moscow would not abandon Pyongyang. "North Korea is our friend ... is our ally, and we shall be loyal to our obligations." Mr Rogachev told reporters when he arrived for a two-day visit

to Malaysia. "When we undertake any said. Mr Rogachev said that it was now time to ease tension in the Korean peninsula and that Moscow would back all initiatives to reunite the two Koreas. Mr Rogachev said that no decision on setting up ties with South Korea had

been made, but this could not be ruled out. Moscow and Seoul had "developed a rather good cooperation in the economic sphere and this provides us with a good, solid base for living in Colorado and devsomething more in the

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Lima - Maoist Shining Path rebels in Peru exploded a car bomb near the Government Palace, the second blast in central Lima in 24 hours. Police said the attacks signalled an offensive linked to

Dhaka — A police squad rescued 40 Bangladeshis, in-

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Tokyo - Eleven Japanese fishermen were missing and four were rescued after their hoat collided with a 10,986-tonne Norwegian freighter and

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island's Northern province.

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Lyons - French police arrested five Britons here for

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astated a trailer park, injuring at least a dozen people. (AP)

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and was confirmed in a US-Soviet joint statement on combating the spread of missiles, poison gas and nuclear weapons issued after last week's summit. Administration specialists

emphasized that, although there was evidence that China and Libya had been negotiat-ing the sale of poison gas ingredients, there was no proof that contracts had been signed or that the ingredients had been shipped to Libya.

Herzog yesterday called on the leaders of the main parties to coalition government.

Mr Shimon Peres, head of

"We've got some indica-tions that something may be going on in that area, and we have expressed our concerns to them (China) at a very high Another Administration official said the American Emwing Likud bloc. bassy in Peking was instructed

when his mandate runs out.

has been in near-chaos since March 15, when the Likud-Labour coalition government collapsed over disagreements on how to proceed with the

lomatic contacts despite the continued repression prac-At the Senate hearing, Mr Biden complained that the Administration's policy to-wards China had been a Negotiations have not so far

defend China on trade; you can't begin to defend them on seven small parties, though six human rights; you can't begin have committed themselves to defend them on their handling of the situation since However, representatives in Tiananmen Square," he said, going on to question whether China was being responsive to American concerns over the spread of missiles, poison gas

The impasse has spurred calls for electoral reform that could lead to direct election of a prime minister. The Hebrew-language daily Maariv said in an editorial this week that the main parties must put

partisan considerations aside.
"If not," the newspaper said, "the really important issues will be pushed aside because of the calculations of

Administration was still trying to get China to accept an Bank village last year, an army spokesman said yesterday. He said that Yosef Eliahu

> before aiming at a suspect. Eliahu, who will not be de-moted or jailed, will fulfil his punishment by doing "unpleasant" work at an army base. (Reuter)

particular, are warming and to the United States to make a **UK and Iran resume**

By Andrew McEwen, diplomatic correspondent

weeks ago when plans for an terday that as a minister he initial diplomatic meeting could not condemn Salman were cancelled at the last Rushdie's The Satanic Verses.

of South Korea.

ing towards each other. Public figures who are not members of the two governments are expected to have an exchange of visits soon, while a meeting between diplomats may take place in a neutral country. A negative impression of the prospects has arisen because newspapers cannot report positive developments without

jeopardizing the talks. The media inadvertently caused the cancellation of a meeting between Mr Jeremy Greenstock, deputy political director at the Foreign Office, and Mr Hussein Moussavian, an Iranian counterpart, in Dublin on May 16. At the time Iran's reasons for calling off

the meeting, described by the Foreign Office as an initial "brush-past", were unclear. disclosure that it was to carrying ont the fatwa.
happen embarrassed President Rafsanjani, whose efforts as a serious setback, but were

sition from hardliners. mainly through surrogates.

diplomatic dance

BRITAIN and Iran have re- ative ones continue to make sumed efforts to patch up news. Mr Douglas Hurd, the relations after the fiasco two Foreign Secretary, said yes-

This was seen as a rejection Conflicting statements by of an offer the previous day by Iranian leaders this week sug-Hojatoleslam Rafsanjani, who gested an impasse, but in fact said: "If Mrs Thatcher con-London and Tehran are mov-demns Rushdie's novel, there will remain no problem in the way of a resumption of ties." However, the main thrust of both men's comments was conciliatory. President Raf-sanjani emphasized that he still wanted a resumption of diplomatic links, while Mr Hurd restated the Government's respect for Islam.

The Iranian leader sought to

distance the Tehran Government from an uncompromising remark made by Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, who succeeded Ayatollah Khomeini as principal religious leader. Ayat-ollah Khamenei said on Tuesday that Mr Rushdie should be turned over to British Muslims so that the death sentence passed by Khomeini in 1989 could be carried out. But most British Muslim lead-It is now known that the ers have shown no interest in

to improve relations with probably intended as an an-Britain have aroused oppo- swer to internal criticism rather than as a diplomatic It is understood that the two signal. They came a day after sides have since made en- the publication by an Iranian couraging gestures to each newspaper of an interview other. They are engaged in a with Mr Ali Akbar Mohtash-diplomatic dance, conducted emi, the former Interior Minister, who sharply criticized While the positive develop- the Government's efforts to

rocket grenades, light machine-guns, AK47 assault rifles and other automatic weapons launched a wave of attacks on guardposts and bombed railway lines in the northern state of Punjab to protest against the Indian Army's raid on the Golden Temple at Amritsar in 1984. died and four were wounded in the attacks on six police stations and paramilitary posts, and the bomb blasts cut rail links, the Press Trust of India said. (AFP)

Lima car bomb

elections. (AP)

Police rescue

cluding eight women and 20 children, from two traffickers trying to smuggle them into India, probably to work as servants or prostitutes. The traffickers escaped. (Reuter)

Sudan air raid

Nairobi - Two aircraft bombed the southern Sudanese town of Torit, held by rebels of the Sudan People's Liberation Army, killing 20 people. (Reuter)

Colombo - A Sri Lankan army corporal was shot dead and 10 actions in north-east Asia, of others injured when rebels of course we will take into the Liberation Tigers of Tamil consideration the legal in- Eelam opened fire on an army terests of North Korea," he patrol at Vavumiya in the

> allegedly transporting a tonne of Moroccan hashish in their caravan. The five were not identified. (AFP)

ments remain unseen, neg- improve links with the West. | future". Nasser's son back in Cairo with his father's ghost



Mr Nasser: Accused of pletting to kill diplomats From Christopher Walker 'IN CAIRO

TWENTY years after his death, the ghost of Gamal Abdel Nasser, Egypt's charismatic first President, came back to haunt his successors yesterday when his eldest son appeared before a heavily guarded, high-security court on terrorism charges for which the prosecution has demanded the death

The trial is the most politically sensitive in recent Egyptian history, with serious implications for the Arab-Israeli conflict. Two senior government ministers have already appeared as witnesses and President Mubarak, while regretting the involvement of Nasser's son, had pledged that he will not receive special irealment

Despite the promise, Mr Khaled Abdel Nasser, an engineer aged 40,

who returned unannounced from selfexile in Yugoslavia on Wednesday night, was freed on bail of only 5,000 Egyptian pounds (£1,070) after pleading not guilty.

The prosecution opposed the bail application, arguing that Mr Nasser was being granted favourable treatment by the court. But his lawyer, Mr Ahmed Khawaga, stated that the accused had returned to Egypt of his own free will. "His home address is known in Egypt. We know his profession (and) I do not

A relaxed, grey-suited Mr Nasser replied "not guilty, it did not happen" when asked to enter a plea to charges that, as a member of the group calling itself "Egypt's Revolution", he had plotted to kill American and Israeli diplomats in Cairo between 1984 and

think ... he will escape," the lawyer

1987. In the months that Mr Nasser was being tried in absentia the proceedings took on increasingly political overtones as the defence sought to challenge Egypt's policy of tilting towards the United States, from which it receives annual aid of some US\$2.3 billion (£1.4 billion) and maintaining the 1979 peace treaty with Israel. One defending advocate described an Israeli observer, allowed into the court early in the hearing, as "an Israeli dog".

Mr Nasser, accompanied by his wife, Dalia, and two children, arrived unexpectedly at Cairo airport on Wednesday evening and turned him-self over to a surprised group of passport officers. He spent the night in a holding cell before being driven to court in a private car, unlike the other defendants who went in a convoy of police waggons. An airport security

was very calm and said 'I have come to give myself up and stand trial to prove my innocence to the Egyptian people'."

Mr Nasser, renowned for his close links with Libya, is also regarded as something of a hero by the Palestine Liberation Organization, which invited him as star guest to the historic meeting of its parliament-in-exile in Algiers in November, 1988, at a time then he was already being described as Egypt's most wanted fugitive.

"It is hard to see how the shaky Government of President Mubarak would contemplate executing a man with such wide popular appeal as Nasser's eldest son," a Western security official said. "The peace treaty with Israel is not stable or popular enough to carry a martyr with a name like that."



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Great posers of our time

Philip Howard

t is a paradox that the English are giving up eating the roast beef of old England for fear of catching spongy-brain disease. How could the Rosbifs tell the difference, since their brains are evidemment spongy to start with anyway? No, that is not a paradox. It is a bad racist joke from a French bla-bla blat or gutter tabloid. It shows that the sloppy "paradox" to draw attention to what one is saying is a journalistic vice on both sides of the Channel. Paradox is one of those words that journalists let off like a firework, to make a bang more than to illuminate. What these words mean is usually no more than "it is a rum thing that", or "wake up there at the back of the class, this is going to be a joke". If you have to signal a joke by sending up a rocket, it cannot be a very good joke. Even journos, those peacocks of prose, are dimly aware that others may not read our work with the loving attention that we devote to our cuttingsbooks. So we try to impress our readers by the use of fireworks like "paradoxically". Readers see through the artifice.

Paradox is one of the oldest technical terms in the world. It has a precise meaning, literally "against belief". It was introduced into western vocabulary 25 centuries ago by the first sophists. Socrates, scripted by Plato, made paradox one of his main tools to confound his opponents. They found themselves believing two or more contradictory things, up to their noses in the moussaka without a spoon. Here is the old tease at work with paradox: "If a person shows that such things as wood, stones, and the like, being many are also one, we admit that he shows the coexistence of the one and many, but he does not show that the many are one or the one many; he is uttering not a paradox but a truism." Quite enough of that, dear boy.

In the strict sense, a paradox is a statement or phenomenon apparently inconsistent with itself (or with what is theoretically reasonable). Full-blooded paradoxes exist when some statement needed for logic can apparently be both proved and disproved. Some of the wide-boys of early philosophy made a living entirely by para-doxes, to bewilder their audiences in the way that Victorian conjurors did. Epimenides from Crete had a success that is still with us with his "liar paradox": "All Cretans are liars." The statement "I am lying" is true only if it is false, and false if it is true. Bertrand Russell made use of the old Cretan's liar paradox to show that certain formulations of words, though grammatically correct, are logically nonsense.

Zeno of Elea (the modern Castellammare di Bruce on the Tyrrhenian coast of southern Italy) was another wide-boy who made a good living from paradoxes, some of which survive.

You remember the Achilles and the tortoise paradox? Swift-footed Achilles, the fastest sprinter of antiquity, is challenged to a race by a tortoise. He gives the tortoise a start, but then finds that he can never overtake it. By the time that Achilles has charged up to the place where the tortoise started from, old Slow-and-Steady has plodded on for a short distance. When Achilles, shouting and sweating, has covered that short distance, the tortoise has moved some more. The argument can be repeated indefinitely. Although the successive stages become shorter, and are covered ever more quickly, at the end of any given stage Achilles is still behind the tortoise. How can he reach the end of an endless series of stages? So Achilles never overtakes the tortoise. (Note, however, that the tortoise never crosses the finishing line, unless it has been placed by a handicapper more judicious than such useless officials gen-

Other golden oldies of Zeno are the flying arrow paradox, which argues that, since at any moment an arrow occupies a definite position, and since between two moments there is nothing but other moments, the arrow can only be in positions and never move from one to another. A paradox, a paradox, a most in-genious paradox. W.S. Gilbert, a careful writer, used paradox in a reasonably philosophical sense. Frederic, although aged 21, turns out to be only five when counting birthdays, because he was born on

Zeno's grain of millet paradox argues that a grain of Grape Nuts falling on the kitchen floor makes no sound, but a thousand Grape Nuts (funny name, when you think about it) make a definite sound, followed shortly by shouts of grief and rage; so a thousand which is absurd.

The plain man's way to rebuff these paradoxes is that of bluff Dr Johnson, taking off his cutaway coat, and starting to sprint pon-derously: "I refute it [puff puff] thus." (That was an inexact use of

Would the world be a better place if run by philosophers? Plato demonstrated devastatingly that it would not when he had a go at running the world from Sicily. But it would be going too far to insist that modern journalists should always use paradox in its precise philosophical sense. It would be going too far for the editor to ban the word in his style guide. Freedom of speech applies to vocabulary as well as to ideas. But an alarm signal should go off whenever we think of using paradox. It is a fine word with a long history. Shakespeare, magnificent hack, used it in its loose modern sense, pleased with his shiny new word: "You undergo too strict a paradox, / Striving to make an ugly deed look fair."

...and moreover

ALAN COREN

¬ he Kenyan state of emergency notwithstanding, I spent the autumn of 1953 doing the foxtrot. Also waltz and quickstep. Despite the best efforts of the Mau Mau to interfere, my lissom partner and I passed every Friday evening locked in romantic ensemble, dancing across the polished parquet of our elegant Palmers Green trysting-place, and murmuring into one another's ears such little nonsenses as dancers do.

Which, by the by, is how I first met Humphrey Lyttelton and Wally Fawkes; two brilliant polymaths whom, years later, I was to employ in their other capacities, and so happily that nobody seeing us together would ever have realized that one of them had once told me what he proposed to do with his clarinet if I ever again inter-rupted a performance of Trog's Blues, nor that the other had ribaldly added that it was the duty of the brass to accompany the woodwind, wherever it chose to blow. I met them because this lurid offer was made in the rehearsal chamber directly above our little ballroom, connected to it by a staircase up which my partner had just dispatched me.

"You tell them buggers we can't hear ourselves dance," my partner had said. "You inform em there is nothing in the book says musicians has to bang their feet on the floor all the bloody time."

No sooner had I scuttled down again than the band struck up its revenge. King Porter Stomp rattled the casements. Plaster settled on our waltzing shoulders, like eau-de-Nil scurf. My partner said "right", lifted the Dansette arm from the disc, and dashed out. Suddenly, remarkably, the noise above my head faded to a

What did you say?" I inquired, as, blissfully reunited, we floated through Charmaine. "Nothing," said my partner, reversing sleekly, "I just give 'em a look."

It reflects naught upon the courage of jazzers that one look had been enough. My partner was built like a Martello tower. Against the neckless head, a busy life had flattened nose and ears alike, while fists of hirsute

rock and a tell-tale way of easing his shoulders suggested that Mr Ronga considered it even more blessed to give than to receive. He had been a sergeant in the

Parachute Regiment: but, despite his heroic service to King and country, neither would let him kill anybody after VJ day, so he chucked in the beret and set himself up as a dance instructor. My mother found him in The Palmers Green Gazette. I was 15, and it was time I learned to dance. I would

thank her one day.

I enrolled for the bronze medal course. If successful, I might be allowed to enrol in the silver, and learn the tango. Not the rumba. You had to have a gold medal to do the rumba in public. If you attempted the rumba without a gold medal, Edmundo Ros would send the boys round.

In a moment, you will find out why I am telling you all this. When my first lesson was over, my partner shook his huge head and told me I should have to buck my ideas up, due to where, any day now, it was on the cards the Paras would be asked to go and sort out Kenya, in which case he might very likely rejoin. Time was of the name. In consequence, we used only three records, all by Victor Sylvester, so that I could gear my movements by rote to every familiar chord. Furthermore, Mr Rongo would see to it that my feet would not betray me by touching the ground. Biceps like cricket balls would carry me through. I can feel them still.

The inspector arrived the week before Christmas. He had a briefcase. He took three records out of it. I heard, cheek to cheek, my partner's teeth grind. "The bastard has brought his own music!" he muttered. He dropped me, shimmied across to the inspector, glanced at his labels. "Joe Loss?" he said. "Joe Loss? We don't do Joe Loss here. We do Victor

The inspector opened his mouth; but shut it again. My partner had given him a look. Not only did I get a strict tempo, I also got the medal. I am telling you all this because, just as I was about to tell you something else, I heard that Joe Loss had died,

William Waldegrave replies to Vernon Bogdanor's criticism of Foreign Office policy

How Britain helped the dissidents

et's plan foreign policy. Thus the enticing head-line to Vernon Bogdanor's critique of British foreign policy on this page on Tuesday. I hoped to find the explanation of why the slogan might still be in fashion, unlike "Let's plan the economy" or "Let's plan society".

Alas, as I read the article curiosity turned to a resignation as weary as Mr Bordanor's prescriptions.

What made me choke over my cornflakes, however, was the allegation that in Central and Eastern Europe, Britain had "preferred to restrict diplomatic intercourse to governments", and neglected "regular contacts with dissidents". Mr Bogdanor's asser-tion is just false, unfair not only to my ministerial predecessors, but to British embassy staff and a fair cross-section of newly installed ministers in the East.

In Poland in 1984 my predecessor Malcolm Rifkind was the first Western minister to visit the grave of the murdered Father Jerzy Popieluszko, two days after the funeral. His example is still seen in Poland as a pioneering gesture of defiance to the old regime, and it set the standard for a succession of subsequent Westem visitors. He also met some of the leading Warsaw-based members of Solidarity. They included the present Polish Prime Minister, Tadeusz Mazowiecki, and one of his new ministers. Embassy staff from the ambassador down were in regular touch with Solidarity activists, including Lech Walesa. In Czechoslovakia British dip-

lomats saw Charter 77 and other human rights activists throughout the 1980s. My predecessor, Tim Renton, met several in 1987 at the home of Denis Keefe, our second secretary in the Prague embassy. More than 50 Czechoslovak dissidents, including Vaclav Havel and the present Foreign Minister. Jiri Dienstbier, attended a farewell party for Mr Keefe in early 1988. This March he was invited back to Prague for a party thrown by Charter 77 to celebrate the "velvet revolution". Also invited was Tricia Holland, a diplomat expelled last year for her contacts with the opposition. Jan Carnogursky had our vigorous support at the time of his last trial, which took place as the revolution began. He went straight from court to become deputy prime minister.

In Hungary, British officials were on close terms with leading members of the opposition for several years before Kadar's fall. Two prominent dissidents were asked to join Sir Geoffrey Howe

for a meal at our embassy in 1987. The senior Communist Party officials there found the occasion uncomfortable, and The Times hailed our initiative as testing the limits of Hungarian glasnost.

In Romania Britain's ambas-sador was manhandled by Ceausescu's Securitate while trying to visit the courageous Doina Cornea at her home in Cluj. In Timisoara, we were there at the start. A British diplomat had a shouted conversa-tion with Pastor (now Bishop) Tokes across a barrier of Securitate men the day before the Romanian revolution began. Several Romanian dissidents have since said that it was only the attention they had from British and other Western embassies that enabled them to survive. In East Germany our ambassador and his staff had close contacts over several years with figures in the Protestant church (then the focus of political opposition), including the present Minister of Disarmament and Defence, but also including many others (Hulsemann, Simon, Passeur, Hirsch, Poppe, Pastorin, Misselwitz and so on).

Mr Bogdanor has got it spectac-

ularly wrong. It is equally non-sensical of him to suggest that the Foreign Office assumed that the likes of Czechoslovakia's Husak

enjoyed "substantial indigenous support". The Foreign Office conducted business that needed to be conducted with communist regimes, but pursued a policy of keeping in touch with organized opposition groups and individual sidents to demonstrate that we did not endorse the claims of their rulers to popular legitimacy. That is why it is so pleasant to travel now in Eastern Europe as a British minister: there is goodwill wher-

ever you go.
From initially shaky premises,

Mr Bogdanor accuses the Foreign Office of not foreseeing develop-ments in Central and Eastern Europe. Who did? The dissidents themselves? Tell that to New Forum in the newly obsolescent East Germany. I must have missed all those articles a year or so ago

predicting the order and timescale in which the dominoes would fall. Like it or not, foreign policy is often a matter of reacting to sudden events, but I agree with Mr Bogdanor that broad goals are important. The goal of our policy towards the countries of Central and Eastern Europe in the late 1980s was their evolution towards full sovereignty and political and economic freedom. The strategy was to acknowledge their separate human rights; to offer moral support and encouragement to those working for democratic change; and to make our values and way of life more widely known.

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The strategy is now one of close contact with new democratic governments and support for political and economic reform. The For-eign Office is reassigning people and funds for this. However, we strongly support "conditionality" - relating support to progress made towards freedom. We therefore retain reservations about

Romania and Bulgaria. Nor do I agree that policy-making is as devoid of external inputs as Mr Bogdanor appears to imply. The Foreign Office maintains an extensive range of contacts with academics, journalists and other commentators. Our Policy Planning Staff are in close touch with organizations like the Royal Institute for International Affairs and the International Institute for Strategic Studies. This is not to say that we would not welcome contact with other institutions of the kind Mr Bogdanor suggests. We are happy to take part in a wide-ranging debate, so long as it is well-informed. The author is Minister of State at

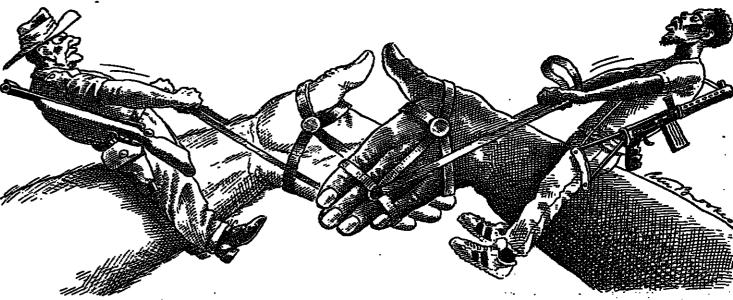
After the emergency, a state of dangerous expectation

resident de Klerk's de-cision to lift the state of emergency in the Transvaal, Cape and Orange Free State goes a long way towards meeting one of the key conditions laid down by the African National Congress for further progress in negotiations. At the same time, the decision to leave the emergency in force in Natal emphasizes just how intractable the problem of political violence in South Africa has become

When the state of emergency was first imposed by President P.W. Botha in July 1985, the country had been in a state of quasi-revolutionary ferment for two years. The ANC and its local supporters in the United Democratic Front (UDF) had taken up the cry that they would "make South Africa ungovernable", and the major African areas witnesses strikes, riots, repeated clashes with the police, school and consumer boycotts and a sustained attempt to extirpate the network of police informers in the townships.

The intention of the ANC and UDF at the time was to establish "people's power", that is, effectively to turn townships into "liberated areas", complete with street committees enforcing law and order, and people's courts dispensing summary justice. This was only ever patchily achieved, and the excesses of the people's courts and the dreadful practice of necklacing did considerable harm to the liberation movement's image. But the ANC and UDF were never wholly in control of the gathering wave of popular protest of 1983-85. They tended to take credit and responsibility, to claim leadership and give direction, but they were riding a tiger.

The emergency brought all this to a halt. UDF leaders were rounded up by the hundred; the street committees, people's courts and other burgeoning structures within the townships were immobilized or smashed, and doubtless a new network of informers was begun. But the emergency was an answer purely to a security problem, not to a political one, and it showed no way ahead. Moreover, it brought no halt to the war for political territory that had begun



R.W. Johnson asks if the black and white leaders moving to

agreement in South Africa can carry their supporters with them

almost simultaneously in Natal ers and teachers have already been miscreant youths in ANC T-shirts between the UDF and Chief

Buthelezi's Inkatha movement. The lifting of the emergency will not restore the status quo ante. De Klerk's historic speech of February 2 has been followed by sporadic explosions of violence all round the country, in which many hundreds have died, some in the Natal fighting, some in political conflicts between the ANC and its Pan-Africanist rivals, some in taxi-wars, some in racial clashes between whites and Africans (as in Welkom) or between Africans and Indians (around Durban), and many, it seems, as a result of private or local vendettas of which

we know little. More generally, the freeing of political activity and the feeling that the day of the white man's old restraints is passing seems to have engendered a heady rise in black expectations, a determination not to be last in the queue, and, in many cases, a rush to grab longcoveted property or territory from ethnic or political opponents. There is a general complaint of rapidly rising crime-rates as the same sort of grab is made more indiscriminately. Hospital workon strike, and the miners are talking about it, as the same spirit of boldness permeates the workforce, despite the high levels of black unemployment.

he government, the ANC and the UDF have begun to denounce the "criminal elements" in chorus. The ANC has repeatedly appealed for calm, for children to go back to school and ANC leaders such as Terror" Lekota have bitterly denounced "youths who think they can get up to any criminal mischief so long as they are wearing an ANC T-shirt". So far this has had limited effect. Part of the problem is that the ANC is still far from building a disciplined mass organization on the ground - after all, the whole thrust of government policy over 30 years

has been to prevent just that. But the ANC has been rather slow-moving politically, and the suspicion exists that many ANC cadres are keener on giving militant speeches at rallies than on the hard work of building a mass membership organization. This rally style of politics caters to the

of whom Mr Lekota speaks, encouraging a sporadic, highadrenalin and essentially shallow form of political commitment.

The sensational result of the Umlazi by-election suggests, moreover, that Mr de Klerk too may be suffering a drift towards political impotence. For if Andries Treurnicht's Conservative Party can come within 600 votes of victory in a predominantly English-speaking, safe Nationalist seat like Umlazi it is poised to romp to victory throughout the Transvaal and Orange Free State. Already opinion polls are showing over 50 per cent of Afrikaners behind the CP, a fact which could fatally undermine Mr de Klerk. Indeed, one has to ask whether de Klerk will be able to win the referendum on constitutional change he has promised white voters at the end of the negotiation process.

Hence the real worry of postemergency politics: the govern-ment and ANC have drawn steadily closer together on one issue after another, but show a diminishing ability to pull their followers along with them. Together they are coming to form a political centre - and the centre may not hold. Already Mr de Klerk is dogged by his somewhat shaky ability to get the police to behave as he would wish - for without doubt the large majority of the police support the CP. And the ANC have, in effect, no realistic alternative to offer to a continuing army presence in the

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strife-torn Natal townships. As in the Soviet Union, after a long period of repression and brutally centralized rule there follows a happy turn towards glasnost and perestroika. This lifts the lid on all manner of groups and pressures struggling for a new existence. Gradually the focus on the heroic Gorbachov-de Klerk figure fades and the speculation as to who or what will exercise centralized rule begins to give way to the awful realization that there may be no party or coalition able to deliver majorities necessary to run the country under its brave new democratic dispensation. South Africa is, happily, some way from the breakdown of civil society that the Soviet Union seems to face - but how the emerging de Klerk-Mandela coalition fares, unbuttressed by emergency rule, will soon shed light on whether South Africa too must travel that fateful road. The author is a Fellow of Magdalen College, Oxford.

Own goals all round

he advertising agency D'Arcy Masius Benton and Bowles has come up with an imaginative scheme to combat football hooliganism which takes literally the much-quoted dictum that violence is an own goal against the game. It hopes to persuade all league clubs to score an own goal on the first Saturday of next season, so that these can be filmed and made into an antihooliganism commercial. A precedent by England's Steve McMahon in the friendly game against a Sardinia Select this week was engineered by the agency in association with the Football Association, and was much appreciated by the Italian authorities and fans as a statement of intent.
"If the England squad are prepared to do it, why shouldn't the league clubs? asks Graham Hinton, joint chairman of the agency. But the Football League, though still shamefaced over the outcome of its refusal last month to postpone the Bournemouth match at which Leeds fans went on the rampage, is opposing the commercials. Assistant Secretary Andy Williamson says: wouldn't endorse that sort of stunt in a competitive match. It would undermine the game itself." But the agency is undeterred. Its proposed campaign has financial backing from the FA, and it is seeking further sponsorship for the ads from, among others, brewers. "The Football League is missing the point," says Hinton. "We need maximum impact and

 Nothing, it seems, is too much trouble for the newly installed Argentine ambassador when it Argentine aministrator when it comes to making friends with the British After visiting Buckingham Palace on Tuesday, Señor Mario Campora and his entourage returned home in the Palace's three state coaches. Determined to extend the olive branch to all and sundry, he treated the Palace's coachmen to a glass of champagne, whereafter a footman appeared with a silver salver bearing carrots and sugar cubes for the horses.

One for the panel

ome artistic fakes are more acceptable than others. When the Queen Mother opens the Courtauld's new gallery in Somerset House next week, she may wonder why the faded mono-chrome goddesses and cherubs on the ceiling look familiar. Where could she have seen them before? At Burlington House, in full colour, is the answer.

When the Royal Academy moved to Burlington House in 1869, it removed the ceiling panels from Somerset House Fine Rooms, and installed them in its new home. In the early 1970s, the Property Services Agency under-took some restoration of the Fine Rooms, and with a limited budget hit upon the cut-price but imaginative solution of sticking blackand-white photographs of the panels on the ceiling.
Dr Dennis Fart, director of the

Courtauld Galleries, said yesterday: "We toyed with the idea of getting a skilled copyist to reproduce the originals, or using laser prints, as they have in the Queen's House at Greenwich, but time and money were short, and



the results might have looked worse than the PSA's photographs. People will think they are saille or something like that."

Over-30s club

spiring novelists clutching their umpteenth rejection letter need weep alone no more. Help is at hand from the Society of Rejected Writers, newly set up to offer sustenance, support and Kleenex to the unpublished. There is only one qualification for membership: a minimum of 30 publishers' rejection slips. The group, first launched in New York, has received a warm welcome on this side of the Atlantic. Richard Adams, of Watership Down fame, says he wishes it had existed to ease his early experiences of rejection. "I would ask tny wife to go and collect the rejected manuscript from the pubher," he remembers, although his tally of seven thumbs-down would not gain him membership. Had the group been set up earlier it might have helped the American novelist John Kennedy Toole, who committed suicide before publication of A Confederacy of Dunces, for which he was posthu-

mously awarded a Pulitzer prize. "It received an awful lot of rejection letters, enough to depress him severely," says a spokeswoman for his British publishers, Viking. The scriptwriter Barry Cryer is less sure of the group's merits. encourages negative thinking," he argues; and surely the number of rejections required seems excessively high. After the recent spate of publishing takeovers and mergers, will there be enough rejecting companies to go round?

They've rejected my application for membership



Another full house

new alliance between the worlds of property developers and playwrights is being forged today, when Alan Ayckbourn attends a topping-out ceremony for a block of flats being named in his honour in his adopted home town of Scarborough. Keen to strike one for the playwrights, Ayckbourn overcame his usual aversion to being immortalized in stone. "People.

assume you're deceased," he says, "but I was prepared to take the risk with the flats, as there had been a vote by local people for the name, and I felt it would be rather churlish to refuse." As he dons a hard hat for the ceremony at "Ayckbourn Chapters" today, he has just one quibble. "'Ayckbourn scenes' or 'acts' might have been more suitable," he says.

Sweet Williams hirley Williams and power

dressing? About as unlikely as the Archbishop of Canterbury appearing in Coronation Street, you might think. But according to the July issue of Harpers & Queen, the former MP, who won awards in her days in the SDP as the worst-dressed woman in public life, has smartened up her image. Newly tidied and coiffed, Williams, who was once described as displaying a "charming wind-tunnel-effect", is now enjoying the academic life teaching politics at Harvard, "In America you have to look like a glamorous model of older women's clothes to be taken seriously," she says. Of her less than impeccable appearance in the past, she adds: "It was a foolish mistake. I should have realized that you have to conform to that extent. I recognize now that there are some things you can't get away with." Williams will spend another three years at Harvard, but insists that she keeps in touch with British politics. She is reticent about any future position, but gives Neil Kinnock full credit for the changes in the Labour Party. She also concedes: "There might be a role for me in the Upper House." As a Labour minister perhaps?

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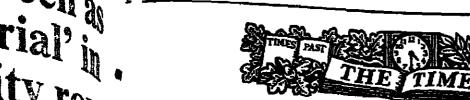
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ARMED TRUCE OVER BSE

The spectre of protectionism has once again passed over the European Community, only to be banished for the moment by yesterday's deal in Brussels. Once Italy and Germany joined France in banning British beef, ostensibly to limit the spread of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE), the danger that the British would retaliate became acute. The European Commission's order to lift the ban was ignored. After much midnight oil had been burnt, the British agriculture secretary, Mr John Gummer, grudgingly agreed yesterday to an elaborate system of certification. This will place strict controls on the export of carcasses, and animals from herds affected by BSE will be identified as such.

Despite this sensible compromise, nobody emerges from the preceding quarrel with much credit. Mr Gummer has been forced to concede, in effect, that too little is known about BSE for politicians to dare eschew the caution of the Community's veterinary committee: "In the light of present knowledge, meat derived from bovine animals in countries in which BSE occurs is not considered to be a danger to public health." That stops short of Mr Gummer's ever more indignant declaration that "British beef is entirely safe".

A vow of silence might now do much for Mr Gummer's standing at home. Consumers, having been assured that everything possible was already being done by the Government to safeguard their interests, are now confronted with new and much stricter controls: but for the benefit of foreign beef-eaters, not domestic ones. Unlike his colleague at Agriculture, Mr Kenneth Clarke, the minister responsible for the nation's health, has been reticent on this

matter. It is time the country heard from him. The French agriculture minister, M Henri Nallet, does not emerge unscathed either. He has done nothing to allay the suspicion that French farmers have concealed the extent of BSE among their own herds, since compensation from M Nallet's ministry has not so far been forthcoming. The question of whether BSE is absent from France is still open. Long before the French ban, a Greek expert from the Pasteur Institute in Athens, M Georges Mezelas, had suggested that undetected but diseased cattle were being sold and eaten on the Continent, though he now admits that no cases have yet been found. If he and other European vets were aware of this possibility, how could M Nallet's officials be ignorant? Until French cattle farmers and slaughterers are subject to the same rigorous inspections as those now imposed on Britain, importers are entitled to regard French beef as suspect.

The French Government's motives are less pardonable, but no less transparent than those of Herr Ignaz Kiechle, the West German agriculture minister. Herr Kiechle was under strong pressure to stigmatize British imports from the German Farmers' Union (DBV), whose leader Constantin Freiherr Heereman has demanded a ban on the import of calves as well as of beef and cattle over six months old. If even a single infected animal were to cross the Channel, he remarked on Wednesday, "the consequences could be incalculable". Chancellor Kohl knows that this sordid squabble may delay the single market. But it is election year in West Germany. The DBV's members are even more precious to Herr Kohl and his Bavarian allies, who include Herr Kiechle, than British farmers are to the Tories.

The European Commission emerges with no credit at all, having again left it to ministers to sort out a compromise. Blame for this does not attach to the agriculture commissioner, Mr Raymond MacSharry, but to his French chief, M Jacques Delors, whose failure to condemn his compatriots' unilateral defiance of Mr MacSharry has been noticeable. If M Delors is to rebut convincingly the charge of partiality, he should worry less about his political future back home and support his own commissioners. Mutual fear of a trade war, which would have been damaging for all concerned, has triumphed over national egotism. But there should be no illusions about the readiness of member states to place the Community's interests before their own.

TANGO FOR TWO

The world does not willingly turn its villains into heroes. Although it has not been grudging in granting the laurel to President Gorbachov, its embarrassment over the need to revise long held opinions is more acute when it comes to the man with whom the Soviet leader is often compared, President de Klerk of South Africa. Yet on all available evidence, including his remarkable speech in Cape Town yesterday, it can be argued that Mr de Klerk has shown more leadership and strength of purpose than his Soviet counterpart in his bid to outpace the

The dangers he faces at the hands of that constituency were graphically demonstrated by the result of this week's Umlazi by-election which, if translated nationally, would give Mr de Klerk no hope of winning a white election and little chance of victory in a white referendum on any new constitution.

Far from stopping dead in his reforming tracks, however, the South African leader ignored both the advice of his security chiefs and the signals from the voters to announce the end of the four-year-old state of emergency, thus demolishing the African National Congress's major obstacle to negotiation. Like the master poker player he is, he not only saw the ANC's bid but also raised it. He announced the release of yet another clutch of "political prisoners" and disclosed that the joint working party set up by the Government and the ANC had reached agreement on the remaining obstacles (as defined by the ANC) to the start of real talks about South Africa's future.

For the first time, the President also revealed some justified impatience with the ANC's dilatoriness and with the confused signals which Mr Nelson Mandela is sending to a world which is giving him another hero's welcome. It is an impatience which those Western leaders serious about a just and viable settlement in South Africa would do well to insinuate into their conversations with the ANC leader during his propaganda tour in favour of continued sanctions.

Many in the West, not least within the British Labour Party, still believe that South Africa must go through some purifying fire of

revolutionary conflict before they can quite regard it as even tolerably on the road to reform. If this means an ensuing wasteland of blood and economic recession, too bad. (This is not, apparently, a principle these enthusiasts apply to the white states of Eastern Europe. trading with them as murderous dictatorships or timid reformers.)

More sensible observers should heed the result of the Natal by-election and realize that, whatever Mr Mandela may feel himself obliged to say, neither he nor Mr de Klerk now has time on his side. The opposing forces of o rejection and white reaction are on the march. The alternative to Mr de Klerk's peace process is increasingly plain to see: not some smartsuited moderate ANC government but civil war between hard-eyed young comrades of the Pan Africanist Congress and the big guns of a government led by Dr Andries Treurnicht of the Conservative Party.

Mr Mandela will not hear this message in the United States, where concern for South Africa's future has long been trivialized into a vehicle for keeping anti-apartheid campaigners in funds and black politicians in office. The burden of sense thus falls on other Western leaders, who should match Mr de Klerk's courage with their own. However painful it might be to the more casual of their liberal supporters, they should tell Mr Mandela that he cannot praise Mr de Klerk's integrity in one breath and call for continued sanctions with the next. The South African President has met his and their conditions for the lifting of sanctions. He now badly needs relief to assist him with his right wing back home.

Finally, they should tell the ANC leader that his place in history will be secured not by holding gospel concerts for New York's Transit Authority - one projected engagement during his American visit - but across the negotiating table in Cape Town. If he fails to seize the moment, South Africa's former martyr could sacrifice any hope of being its future leader. For that advice, Mr Mandela may have to wait until he visits the ANC's former friends in Moscow. There he might find a leader who recognizes the dangers of unrewarded reform.

OLDER AND WISER

"Age, I do abhor thee; youth, I do adore thee." Britain's personnel directors seem to agree with Shakespeare's Passionate Pilgrim. A survey carried out by Gallup for Brook Street has found that British companies are fishing from an ever-decreasing pool of young workers, while still disdaining their elders.

No fewer than 86 per cent of the personnel directors interviewed preferred candidates aged under 35. Young people, they said, were less set in their ways, comfortable with new technology and fitted the companies' "trendy, dynamic image". Those over 50 tended to be rejected for having less stamina, being more resistant to change and - well - grey.

Yet behind dynamic youth can lie folly, rashness and irresponsibility. Grey hairs may seem staid, but they often accompany maturity, steadfastness, conscientiousness and loyalty. If older people are not familiar with new technology, it may be because they have never had a chance to learn, not that they are incapable of mastering it.

The saddest victims of ageism have been those in their fifties and sixties who were in middle-management jobs a decade ago. In their youth, they accepted low pay and humble work in the full expectation that, when they reached middle age, they would be rewarded by senior jobs. Instead, many found themselves being made redundant or passed over in favour

of younger colleagues. A combination of recession and Thatcherite policies forced many companies to streamline their working practices in the Eighties. Some middle-aged managers may have been too Luddite in their thinking to be able to adapt. But if the youngsters who replaced them were happier to change their ways, were they as successful at managing in the new climate? Not necessarily, as the rash of business failures among young companies has shown.

The best basis for any appointment is merit. Young people should not be held back in their careers because of their age, as they still are in many parts of the public sector. Nor should older people be ruled out. Some may be fazed by computers; others may delight in learning about them.

In the US, France and Canada, employers are now not allowed to discriminate against older applicants in job advertisements. In Britain, recruitment advertisements still frequently state that "those over 45 need not apply". Such wording is as offensive as stating that blacks or women will not be considered. The latter enjoy the protection of laws against sex and race discrimination. Perhaps, if an employer is prejudiced against older people. then they might as well be spared the bother of applying. But meeting a dynamic, computerliterate 50-year-old in the flesh may be just what a personnel director needs to dispel his or her preconceptions.

The changing age composition of the population is already throwing up a shortage of young workers and thus impelling industry in the direction of previously disadvantaged groups. But the free market is not enough to end the unnecessary offence of age discrimination. As with other forms of blanket discrimination, ageism merits the condemnation of the law.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Stalker and the **RUC** inquiry

From Sir Lawrence Byford Sir, I refer to the drama docu-mentary "Shoot to Kill" from Yorkshire Television (review, June 4).

May I, as the then Chief Inspector of Constabulary, set the record straight as to the events leading to Mr Stalker's suspension as Deputy Chief Constable of Greater Manchester and his re-moval from the Northern Ireland

In May 1986 the Greater Manchester Police Authority launched an investigation relating to Mr Stalker. An authority may only take informal action in such matters "if it is satisfied that the conduct complained of, even if proved, would not justify a crim-inal or discipline charge". It followed that a senior police officer from another force had to be appointed to conduct the investigation which was super-vised by the independent Police Complaints Authority (the public's watchdog in such matters), who also authorised the suspen-sion from duty of Mr Stalker. In these circumstances and not

surprisingly, Mr Stalker could no. longer continue the Northern Ireland inquiry and he was re-placed by Mr Sampson, the then Chief Constable of the West Yorkshire Police, who, as anticipated, finalised the Northern Ireland investigation expeditiously using the team of Manchester detectives which had previously been under the direction of Mr Stalker. This should surely dispel the notion that Mr Stalker's removal from the investigation was part of an "establishment cover-up". Nothing could be fur-ther from the truth in that the action taken was to protect the investigation from being sullied by the unfortunate circumstances concerning Mr Stalker. Imagine the criticism that would have ensued had Mr Stalker been allowed to continue in Ulster and the allegations against him had then become public knowledge at

a critical stage of the investigation. Furthermore I can firmly refute the ongoing speculation that these events involved Ministers and/or senior civil servants. The first they knew of the decision to refer the matters to the appropriate authorities in Manchester and Belfast was when I briefed them at a later stage and thereafter, following the usual practice, I kept them informed of developments.

Yours faithfully, LAWRENCE BYFORD (Chief Inspector of Constabulary (1983-87)), Overseas House, Park Place. St James's Street, SW1.

Education funding From the President of the Society

of Education Officers

Sir, Your leading article on "Staffroom rhetoric" (June 1) does less than justice to the need for adequate funding for maintained schools. The essential question is whether the money available to schools is sufficient to undertake the tasks with which they are now charged.

There is no objective evidence that schools are over-funded, and a good deal to show to the contrary, especially in the adequacy of school buildings, administration and clerical support staff, and time for curriculum planning and assessment for primary school teachers. None of these is capable of resolution by improved management and redeployment of resources alone. Further evidence that we are certainly not over-funding our schools is shown by comparisons with international competitors, and levels of funding in the private sector.

Schools are now faced with the implementation of the National Curriculum. We wish to make a success of this reform and to see that every child receives the full benefit of a broad curriculum, including science and technology, from the age of five to 16. Expectations are being raised. If they are to be fulfilled then there is a price to be paid, namely a proper investment in our future generation through the public education

Yours faithfully, ANDREW COLLIER, President, Society of Education Officers, 21-27 Lambs Conduit Street, London, WCI.

Tiananmen killings From Dr Han Suyin

Sir, Your Diary item of June 2 maintains that I refused to condemn the killings in Tiananmen Souare.

May I quote from my recent book, Tigers and Butterflies (Earthscan), page 237, which reproduces my article of November. 1989, published in Hong Kong. I wrote: "the killing and wounding of innocent people ... cannot be condoned" (emphasis as in the original).

My concern for all countries is self-determination, including China, and this is the unifying theme of Tigers and Butterflies. I resent the new kind of interference which seems to dictate the course of nations through outside agitation, subversion, monetary or otherwise. I am sure the British people would also resent this kind of "new" interference.

Sincerely. HAN SÚYIN. c/o Earthscan Publications Ltd., 3 Endsleigh Street, WC1.

Need for reform of party finances

From Mr Richard S. Rowntree Sir. You are right to imply on the Owen legacy (leading article, June 4) that without changes in the British electoral system it will not be practical for the Labour Party to sever its constitutional links with the trade unions. Yet the maintenance of these links will not only continue to be a serious electoral handicap for the Labour Party, but even more important

remain as a hindrance to the establishment of a proper measure of union influence in the affairs of the country irrespective of the party in power. It is now very important that all political parties should recognise

that the most urgently required reform of our electoral system is not some form of proportional representation. Certainly, this remains an area about which there is much disagreement. It is, how-ever, impossible for anybody concerned for the political and economic health of our country to deny the need for changes in the pattern of financing political par-ties and elections. The financial dependence of the two effective political parties on industry and the trade unions is a disaster for our country as it bolsters the two sides' mentality in labour relations, which is probably the main cause of our national economic

match individual financial contributions to political parties with State funds up to a limit detervotes the parties have received at the preceding election.

money that could be spent on elections.

to replace the influence of rea-soned argument with the power of professional advertising.

Detailed proposals of this kind were in fact worked out in the 1981 report entitled Paying for Politics by the multi-party Hansard Society Commission of which I was a member. Its detailed recommendations need bringing up to date, but in broad outline they represent an essential reform of a kind that should now be welcomed by all parties.

The solution is not the limitless state funding of politics, but a carefully designed system to June 4.

Kingthorpe House, Pickering, North Yorkshire.

From Mr J. E. Birnie

Sir, Your political obituary for Dr Owen and his party (leader, June 4) neglected one achievement which although it may now appear insignificant could in the long run have a great impact for good. In 1989 the SDP became the first UK national party to fully endorse the principle that those parties which aspire to govern the UK should contest elections in all parts of the UK (including Northern Ireland).

with the Conservatives the honour

electoral no-go area. Yours faithfully,

Sir, Although a substantial eleproposed merger of the Alliance some reason never given proper weight by professional com-mentators. Yet the anti-merger

The two parties, as in most coalitions, appealed to different "constituencies" for their support and when they came together to fight elections on an agreed platform secured more support than they could have achieved in any

other way. The SDP brought to the Alliance more radical and closely argued policies than anything the Liberals had produced since the war. Like the Liberals, they were on the side of the underdog in Britain and overseas but they combined this with an impressive ability to confront unpalatable realities in the realms of economic

remarkably successful.

From Mr T. Higgins

Sir, In their 1976 report, the Verney committee faced the problem of mineral working squarely namely, that mineral deposits will inevitably be found near inhabited areas, where there are environmental benefits in having the source close to the centre of demand. It is then a matter of balance whether the need over-

it would be foolish to suggest that the "need" argument should always prevail - there are some areas of great sensitivity where quarrying should not take place but sand and gravel is a national resource and each county should make its proper contribution to the nation's consumption. Yours faithfully.

T. HIGGINS (President). Sand and Gravel Association Limited, 1 Bramber Court. June 6.

From Mrs Evelyn Franklin Sir, [[Sir Ralph Verney (May 29) would care to look at the latest

mined in part by the proportion of

Such a system would not deny the right of corporate bodies to make political contributions provided these are approved by their members or shareholders. It would however limit more effectively the total amount of

Thus the whole level of public participation in the processes of democracy would be raised through an increased sense of responsibility for the political party of one's choice and a curbing of the present unhealthy tendency

Yours sincerely, RICHARD S. ROWNTREE,

4) acknowledges that the capture

of 25.4 per cent of the vote in 1983

was a great achievement and

since, in the meantime, Labour

had benefited by jettisoning the

uniquely disastrous Michael Foot

the Alliance should not have been

unduly displeased with the 22.6

per cent it won in 1987. Instead

the facile argument was adduced

that their showing was poor and that this was due to the existence

of two leaders causing confusion

After the 1987 election only

David Owen of the original Gang

of Four seemed likely to remain

genuinely active in politics but he

it was, more than anyone else, who

had latterly impressed on the

minds of supporters and non-

supporters alike that the Alliance

was a serious political force. A

merger would however mean that

the new party would always have a

Liberal leader since the Liberals

What we have seen since the

D Had the

had the upper hand numerically.

painful birth of the SLD reflects

the fears entertained by the

kept its head, Mrs Thatcher would

today have much more cause to

fear the loss of those Conservative

seats where the Alliance candidate

ran the 1989 winner a close

Sir, I was homeless before the SDP

was founded. Sir David Steel

expects me to be angry (report,

once again. On the contrary I can only feel grateful to those who

recognized the home I wanted and

From Mr J. Leonard Nicholson

Sir, "Any party of the left which

does not have its roots in the

British working class movement

will sooner or later degenerate into

a small ineffectual coterie" (Roy

Jenkins, 1970 election campaign).

Savile Club, 69 Brook Street, W1.

Sir, Following the demise of the

SDP, might I suggest that the

Liberal Democrats change their name to the Liberal Party?

Guidelines for Aggregates Provision, England and Wales, he will

see that much of the vast quantity

east, comes from one small part of

It is extracted from two super-

quarries, one of which is owned by

the late John Foster Yeoman's

family. We are told that it must be

allowed to continue to expand and

deepen in order to finance the

super-quarry in Scotland, to which

he refers. Why on earth should the

fine scenery of the Mendips and

Scotland be ruined, so that ag-

gregates can be exported to "any-

South-east of England?

Yours faithfully,

Mendin Group.

Fitzrov House.

Chairman.

Ash Lane.

Somerset

May 30.

Wells,

EVELYN FRANKLIN,

The Asham and East

where in the world", let alone the

How convenient for the South-

east that, in 1976, it decided to

satisfy so much of its demand

from the more distant parts of

Somerset and Scotland, It might

moderate its demand, perhaps, if

the price of aggregates reflected the

environmental costs associated

with huge modern operating units.

of aggregate supplied to the South-

the beautiful Mendip Hills.

Yours faithfully, J. LEONARD NICHOLSON,

did their utmost to build it.

Yours faithfully,

STEPHEN REISS,

14 Bridewell Alley,

Norwich, Norfolk.

Ave atque vale, SDP.

From Dr David Krasner

35 Sherwood Road, NW4.

Yours faithfully.

D. H. KRASNER,

June 5.

June 4) because I am homeless

second.
Yours sincerely,

MICHAEL DIÉMER,

Cheam, Sutton, Surrey.

From Mr Stephen Reiss

23 Nonsuch Walk,

to the voters.

Aspects of the SDP's demise Bill Rodgers in his article (June

In the Upper Bann by-election (report, May 19) the SDP shared of being the first national parties to fight a parliamentary election in Northern Ireland for roughly a

Dr Owen and his party had sufficient vision to see that the introduction of national parties to Northern Ireland is the best means of normalising life there and guaranteeing civil rights for all while denying the terrorists the oxygen of hope. Regrettably the Labour Party (new look or not) still treats Northern Ireland as an

P. E. BIRNIE (Secretary, Northern Ireland SDP Area Party),

143b University Avenue Belfast, Northern Ireland.

From Mr P. M. Diemer ment of the SDP membership in 1987 was strongly opposed to the parties, their grounds were for case was readily explicable and

made good sense.

and defence policy.

The SDP's views carried the day within the Alliance to a large extent partly on account of their worth and advocacy but also because in negotiating the platform they were able to deal with the Liberals as equals. When to this were added the notable campaigning skills of the Liberals on the ground, the outcome was

Ouarry at Stowe

rides other considerations.

Bramber Road, W14.

Letters to the Editor should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number — (071) 782 5046.

and alcoholics From Miss Rosa A. Della-Tolla

and Mrs Sally G. Benjamin Sir, We applaud Ruth Gledhill's well researched report (May 29) on the predictably disastrous plight of alcoholics and addicts as a consequence of the new National Health Service and Community Care Bill, which starts its report stage in the Lords today.

Plight of addicts

In November, 1988, we opened the doors of our residential secondary care unit for 10 women (aged 25-65) who have had treatment for alcoholism and other drug dependencies. We are a registered care home in Lambeth. The stay ranges from three to six

Our project was set up and is privately owned by just the two of us, with absolutely no financial assistance from anyone save for expensive bank loans. Not only was the futility of applying for any grants painfully apparent but we were also actively discouraged

from doing so. The new community care Bill will leave us with only two alternatives - to either close or 20 totally private. The latter is not an option as we are dealing with women who have lost everything as a consequence of their alcoholism/addiction. Furthermore, to exclude women who cannot afford our service would go against our principles and per-

sonal code of values. The discretionary powers given to local authorities by the new Bill, in not stipulating a specific proportion to be allocated to the treatment of alcoholism/addiction (ringfencing), will result in funds

being diverted to other sectors. Under the new Bill, payment of residential treatment will come from three different sources. This will result in a crippling increase in administration costs and bring about the closure of the small but very effective registered rehabilitation centres. Although a subsidy to cover these costs would lessen the threat of closure the ideal alternative would be for funding

to still come from a single source. Failing the imposition of an overall policy for ringfencing and guidelines for responsibility for funding treatment being applied nationally to local authorities, we would urge that a specific central grant be made available to alcoholics/addicts as suggested by the original Griffiths report for certain key services of low priority. This grant would be similar to that already allocated to mental illness on the grounds of stigma and payable through local authorities. The stigma attached to alcoholism/addiction is just as

ereat. Yours faithfully, ROSA A. DELLA-TOLLA SALLY G. BENJAMIN (Founder Directors), Headway Halfway House, 34 Rectory Grove, SW4. June 7.

Kent's traffic

From the Leader of

Kent County Council Sir, Mr James Graham is misinformed (May 30) on the discrepancies between the treatment of Scotland when compared to Kent in terms of transport infrastructure.)

No one will have good links to Europe unless they can pass through Kent conveniently to reach the tunnel. The motorway connections currently being built. and the new rail link being discussed are being supported by Kent County Council in the national interest, and it is not without some cost to the residents of the garden of England. It would be very easy for us to take a parochial view but that has not been our approach. All we have asked is that the links be designed

sensitively, and built quickly. Kent's roads and train services are under great pressure. We suffer both from the international traffic passing through the county, as well as considerable local demand. Traffic flows on Kent main roads are already three times the national average and growing 50 per cent faster than elsewhere. Our trains are heavily overloaded, and the passengers are the least subsidised in the country. No one who understands the situation can suggest that Kent is enjoying a favoured position. I believe we are making significant sacrifices in the interest of UK Limited.

Yours faithfully, A. H. HART, Leader Kent County Council,

Maidstone, Kent. Canterbury stakes From the Archdeacon of York

and the Vicar of Ealing Sir, Those who study the field in the coming Canterbury and London stakes might care to east a cautionary glance at the fate of two of our predecessors.

In the 18th century, Thomas Hayter, Archdeacon of York and Prebend of Riccall, was elevated to the See of London and died of dropsy after only two months in office. Thomas Bradwardine, Chancellor of St Paul's and Rector of Ealing in the 14th century, travelled to Avignon to receive the pallium, returned post-haste to Canterbury, and to Lambeth, where within the week he succumbed to the Black Death.

We are naturally anxious lest

the members of the Crown Appointments Commission be unaware of the full facts. Yours faithfully. GEORGE AUSTIN MICHAEL SAWARD,

The Athenaeum, Pall Mall, SW1.

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE June 7: His Excellency Monsieur Mahmoud Hammoud was
received in audience by The
Queen and presented the Letters
of Recall of his predecessor and
his own Letters of Credence as
Guards, The Hon Mrs LeggeAmhassador Extraordinary and

and Plenipotentiary from Costa President, Scottish Business in Rica to the Court of St James's. the Community, visited West The Queen held a Council at Piton Neighbourhood Centre,

The Queen held a Council at 12.30pm. There were present: the Right Hon. Sir Geoffirey Howe, MP, (Lord President), the Earl Ferrers (Minister of State, Home Office), the Right Hon. Christopher Patten, MP (Secretary of State for the Environment) and the Right Hon Nicholas Ridley, MP (Secretary of State for Trade and Trade and The Princess of Wales, Colonel Firench Blake at Kensington Palace.

Her Royal Highness, Patron, retary of State for Trade and Industry).

Mr Geoffrey de Deney was in attendance as Clerk of the

Howe, MP had an audience of Her Majesty before the Council. The Queen this afternoon attended the Annual General meeting of the National Federa-tion of Women's Institutes in its 75th Anniversary Year at the Royal Albert Hall Her Majesty was received by Mrs Jean Varnum (Chairman).

The Lady Elton, Sir Kenneth Scott and Wing Commander David Walker, RAF, were in

The Duke of Edinburgh attended the Centenary Luncheon June 7: Princess Alice, Duchess of the British Footwear Manu- of Gloucester this morning took facturers Federation, at the Cafe the Salute at the Founder's Day Royal, London W1.

His Royal Highness, Senior Fellow, held a reception this evening for the Fellowship of Engineering at Buckingham Pal-ace. The Duke of Kent (Royal Fellow) was present.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE June 7: The Duchess of York, President of the Hackney Horse Society, attended the South of England Show, Ardingly, West Sussex, and was received by Major-General Sir Philip Ward (Vice Lord-Lieutenant of West

Her Royal Highness, this afternoon attended the 44th Congress of Union Internationale des Industries Graphiques de Reproduction (UI) at the Royal Lancaster Hotel, London W2. Mrs John Floyd and Cap-tain Alexander Baillie-Hamilton were in attendance.

June 7: This morning The Princess Royal, President, Brit-ish Knitting and Clothing Ex-port Council attended the Annual General Meeting and Luncheon at the Berkeley Hotel,

London. Afterwards Her Royal High-ness, Honorary President, the Chartered Institute of Transport, attended a meeting of the

Today's royal

engagements

Council of the Institute at 80

his own Letters of Credence as Guards. The Hon Mrs LeggeAmbassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from Lehanon to the Court of St James's.

His Excellency was accompanied by the following members of the Embassy: Mr Michel ElKhoury (First Secretary) and Mr Mohammed Dib (First CLARENCE HOUSE June 7: Oueen Elizabeth The

Secretary).

Ser Patrick Wright (Permanent Under-Secretary of State Visited Northampton, and for Foreign and Commonwealth Affirs) was present and the Hereward Wake Affairs) was present and the Residential Centre and Benham Household in Waiting were in Sports Arena at King's Park.

Her Maiesty subsequently

Household in Waiting were in attendance.

Her Majesty subsequently whis Excellency Señor Miguel
T Yamuni and Señora de Yamuni were received in farewell audience by The Queen and and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary June 7: The Prince of Wales, and Plenipotentiary from Costa President, Scottish Business in June 7: The Prince of Wales, President, Scottish Business in

Blake at Kensington Palace.
Her Royal Highness, Patron,
London City Ballet, hosted a
dinner at Kensington Palace
State Apartments, W8.
Miss Appe Beckwith Smith

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Miss Anne Beckwith-Smith
The Right Hon Sir Geoffrey and Lieutenant-Commander
lowe, MP had an audience of Patrick Jephson, RN were in

KENSINGTON PALACE June 7: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon today visited Hertford County Hospital and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Hertfordshire (Mr Simon Bowes Lyon). Her Royal Higness opened the Gamma Camera Unit. The Hon Mrs Whitehead was

in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE of Gioucester this morning took London W1.

Clive Robertson

Attendance.

Parade, Royal Hospital, Chelsea, London SW3. Dame Jean
Maxwell-Scott and Major Nich-

olas Barne were in attendance. The Duchess of Gloucester, as Patron, this afternoon visited Brixton Neighbourhood Community Association, 71 Atlantic Road, London, SW9.

Mrs Howard Page was in

YORK HOUSE

ST JAMES'S PALACE June 7: The Duke of Kent this afternoon unveiled the Polish Air Force Memorial in the Crypt of St Paul's Cathedral, London EC4. Captain the Hon Christopher Knollys was in

His Royal Highness, as a Royal Fellow, this evening at-tended the Fellowship of Engineering's Development of Engineering Reception at Buck-ingham Palace. Mr Andrew Palmer was in attendance.

The Duke and Duchess of ent were represented by Mrs Alan Henderson at the Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of Mr Norman Parkinson which was held in Westminster Abbey. THATCHED HOUSE LODGE June 7: Princess Alexandra was represented by Major Peter Clarke at the Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of Mr Norman Parkinson which was held in Westminster Abbey.

at 4.45 in connection with the 500th anniversary of the granting of its Royal Charter.

The Queen, as Patron of the Church Urban Fund, accompa-nied by the Duke of Edinburgh, will visit activities in the Mansfield area, starting at St Stephen's Church, Hyson Green, Nottingham, at 10.15; and will visit the Portland Training Coll-ege for the Physically Disabled at Mansfield at 11.45 to mark the fortieth anniversary of the admission of its first students. The Duke of Edinburgh, as International President of WWF-World Wide Fund for Nature, will attend a ball to mark the life and work of the late Sir Peter Scott at Osterley Park at 8.00.

The Prince of Wales will attend a luncheon for the Gloucestershire Historic Churches Preservation Trust, Barnsley House, Cirencester, at 11.45. The Duke of York will open the Surrey Salon of Creative Photography exhibition at the Ashley Gallery, Epsom, at 6.30. The Duchess of York, as Patron of the Motor Neurone Disease Association, will attend a meet-ing at Cumberland Lodge, Windsor Great Park, at 11.15; and will attend a luncheon and open the new staff accommodation at the Bell Inn, Aston Clinton, Buckinghamshire, at

1.00 The Princess Royal will visit HMS Collingwood at Fareham, Hampshire, at 11.00; and, as President of the Riding for the Disabled Association, will visit the Bradbourne Group at Bradbourne Riding and Training Centre, Sevenoaks, at 2.15. Princess Margaret, as President of the Girl Guides Association, will visit the refurbished Scottish headquarters, 16 Coates Crescent, Edinburgh, at 1.15; will open the Sue Ryder Home at Marchmont House, Green-law, at 4.00; and will visit Duns historian, murdered, Trieste 1768:

Birthdays today

Sir William Barlow, chairman Sir William Barlow, chairman, BICC, 66; Lord Campbell of Croy, 69; Miss Lindka Cierach, fashion designer, 38; Mr Michael Codron, theatrical producer, 60; Professor Alice Coleman, geographer, 67; Dr F.H.C. Crick, biologist, 74; Earl Ferrers, 61; Lord Justice Glidewell, 66; Mr Ray Illingworth, cricketer, 58: Ray Illingworth, cricketer, 58; Mr Alaric Jacob, author, 81; Sir Michael Levey, former director, National Gallery, 63; Lady Littler, director-general, IBA, 58; Sir Joseph Luckhoo, Bahamian judge, 73; Mr Angus McBean, photographer, 86; Dame Jean Maxwell-Scott, royal equerry, 67; Sir Ian Morrow, company director, 78; Mr A.J. Mottram, tennis player, 70; Mr Roger Murray, president, Cargill Europe, 54; Major-General Wil-liam Odling, 81; Mr Cranley Onslow, MP, 64; Lord Pritchard, 80; Sir Julian Ridsdale, MP, 75; Mrs Norma Shaw, bowler, 53; Mr Derek Underwood, cricketer, 45; Dame Anne Warburton, president, Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge, 63; Sir Alwyn Williams, former vice-chancellor, Glasgow

University, 69. **Anniversaries**

BIRTHS: Giovanni Cassini. BIRTHS: Giovanni Cassini, astronomer, Perinaldo, France, 1625; John Smeaton, civil en-gineer, Leeds, 1724; Alessandro di Cagliostro, alchemist and adventurer, Palermo, 1743; Robert Stevenson, engineer, Glasgow, 1772; DEATHS: Muhammad, Medina, 632; Hardecanute, King of England 1040-42, 1042; Edward the 'Black Prince', London, 1376; Johann Winckelmann,

School news

St Clare's, Oxford St Clare's, Oxford, will hold an Open Day on Saturday, June 9, 1990, at 2.30-5.00 pm for those interested in the International Baccalaureate — a real alternative to "A" levels. 139 Banbury Road, Oxford.

Rugby School Rugby School has awarded scholarships to the following: SCHOLATSINDS to the following:

Anademic at 13+: Matthew Kwan,
Monkton Combe Jumor School:
Edward Cox, S Anselm's, Baltewell:
James Alen, Emecole Lawn, Warwick: Ilmotiny Gledhill, Forestoke
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House, Edgbuston: Richard Carter,
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Jonathan Hanning, Moorlands
School, Leeds: Angus Mack, Beeslon



OBITUARIES

EDGAR PALAMOUNTAIN

Edgar William Irwin Palamountain, at one time a leading figure in the British unit trust movement and an active proponent of wider share ownership, died on June 5 aged 72. He was born on December 24, 1917.

DURING the boom years for unit trusts, in the 1960s and 1970s, no current topic of debate was complete without a contribution from Edgar Palamountain, one of the industry's most tireless advocates and most innovative marketing influences. His dapper figure, complete with buttonhole, will be sadly missed in the City. He joined M & G Group,

which rose to become Brit-ain's biggest unit trust manager, in 1957. M & G had been the founder of unit trusts in the 1930s, but 20 years later was still struggling to re-establish itself after the war. It was being run virtually singlehandedly by Ian Fairbairn, a member of the family that then controlled the company. In 1957 Palamountain was unhappily employed at Tootal, the textile group. He was introduced to Fairbairn at a party, and Fairbairn seized on him as the sort of person he was looking for to help get M & G back on its feet.

There began a partnership which was to have a profound effect on the development of unit trusts in Britain. Palamountain joined the board of M & G in 1962 and became managing director six years later, on Ian Fairbairn's and others looked after the of these was the unit-linked wrote a history of the division, for the rest of his life.

Robert ("Bob") Edwards, for-

MP for Bilston from 1955 to

1974, and then for Wolver-hampton South-East until

1987, and General Secretary of

the Chemical Workers' Union

for almost 25 years, died aged 85 on June 4. He was born on

BOB Edwards was an inter-

who fought in Spain with

George Orwell in the Civil

Labour Party devoted early to

January 16, 1905.

mer Labour and Cooperative captain in the Republican

Kingdom into the European act as an observer at the trial

With his early ILP back- and eight leftwing Catholic

ground - he was national associates accused of "rebel-

chairman of that party's Guild lion" when they sought to

of Youth from 1927 to 1931 - organize a national strike. He



UK by the insurance compolicies to qualify for the tax relief which was then avail-Palamountain's slogan, and the scheme flourished.

Palamountain was educated products. The most successful dispatches. He subsequently assurance policy. Although which was published as *Tau*. He was made chairman of Eleanor, this had been pioneered in the *rus Pursuant* in 1945. He M & G in 1977, but his reign daughters.

Army. Edwards met Orwell

when they were fighting on

behalf of the anti-communist

marxist forces on the Aragon

front. Edwards did not, it

seems, have a high regard for

Orwell suspecting he was not a

Edwards kept up his fervent

nationally-minded socialist hatred of the Franco regime attempts to enter Parliament

War. He later emerged as one and interrogated for 11 hours to 1948, but was finally

the cause of taking the United Madrid. He was attempting to out his parliamentary career

of a young Spanish diplomat

writer seeking "copy".

ended his war as a major and panies, M & G was the first later in 1945 was posted to the unit trust manager to market these highly popular instruments, in which unit trust investments were tied to life ing year. He married in 1948. On demobilization he spent

three years with the Angloable. "Buy your units at a Iranian Oil Company in discount" was Edgar London and Tehran, before was Edgar London and Tehran, before moving to Tootal in 1952. Palamountain became a strong supporter of free-marat Charterhouse and St John's ket thinking. He joined the College, Oxford. War broke Institute of Economic Affairs, group's investment policy and Royal Horse Artillery, and it was not enough to promote management, Palamountain served in France and Gerunit trust sales, so in 1971 he concentrated on marketing many with the 11th Armoured became chairman of the and creating new investment Division, being mentioned in Wider Share Ownership Council, a cause he espoused

out and rose to become a important to me than human public ownership of the

liberty," Edwards said then.

Liverpool the son of a steel

primary school and joining the Labour Party aged 17, he

got a job in the chemicals industry. He visited the USSR

He made three unsuccessful

for Bilston in 1955. Through-

Edwards stayed well to the left

of most of his colleagues and

was a severe critic of both

Hugh Gaitskell and Harold

At the head of the Chemical

Stalin, in 1927.

erector. Educated at a local

Edwards was born in

ROBERT EDWARDS

true revolutionary but a mere in a union delegation, meeting

which had condemned him to for the ILP, of which he was

death in 1939. He was arrested national chairman from 1943

of the few left-wingers in the by Franco's police in 1959 adopted as Labour candidate bly, from 1977 to 1979.

ed back into

was sadly short-lived. M & G developed a life assurance scheme for UK non-residents. but it went sour for reasons that were outside the company's control. The Inland Revenue removed the scheme's tax-exempt status, but M & G feit bound to make good the £5million per annum.

a number of charities and other causes. He was a trustee of the National Association of Almshouses from 1963 to 1980, a governor of the National Institute for Economic and Social Research, the Ditchley Foundation and a member of the Committee of the London Voluntary Service Council. Another interest was the University of Buckingham. He was chairman of its council from 1980 to 1984 during its formative years. In 1984 he was made a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts.

Palamountain's ' principal hobbies were sports. He was retirement. While Fairbairn out almost as soon as he of which he was Patron from an accomplished tennis player and others looked after the graduated, and he joined the 1972. He increasingly felt that and cricketer, and a keen and enthusiastic golfer, as well as being a member of the MCC. His approach to sport was of a piece with the cheerfulness he brought to the other aspects of his life. He leaves his widow, He was made chairman of Eleanor, a son and two

chemical industry, and

claimed that manufacturers

made huge profits from "use-

To many Labour MPs it

seemed a betrayal when Ed-

wards espoused in the early

days the European cause. He

was founder-president of the

Socialist Movement for a

United States of Europe in

1947, a former vice-president

of the Council of Europe and a

member of the European Par-

liament, then called an assem-

Edwards promoted four Pa

vate Members' Bills, one of

which dealing with consumer protection, was passed in 1962. He was the author of

less" drugs.

money policyholders lost as a result. That was a sufficiently serious blow for Edgar Palamountain to tender his resignation as chairman in 1979, although no personal blame attached to him. As a demonstration of confidence in him, the Esmée Fairbairn Charitable Trust made Palamountain its director in 1980, a position he held for eight years. During his term of

stewardship the Trust's in-come which had alreadyrisen from £3,500 in 1963 to £430,000 multiplied further and is currently more than He was an active worker for

head of industrial aerodynam- only daughter.

CHRISTOPHER SCRUTON

Christopher "Kit" Scruton, an aerodynamics engineer much involved with the problems of bridge design, died aged 79 on May 27. He was born on March 29, 1911.

A NATIVE of Shipley, Yorkshire, Christopher Scruton was the son of a motor mechanic. But the family soon moved to Dartford, Kent, where Kit successfully studied at Dartford Grammar School, 1922-29, in spite of considerable family difficulties and hardships. He joined the aero-dynamics section of the Nat-ional Physical Laboratory as a junior observer. By evening study (no day release in those days) he obtained an honours degree from Birkbeck College and achieved the then almost unprecedented transfer to scientific officer. By the time war broke out aircraft flutter was well recognized as a serious problem and he was much involved in the experimental investigations in collaboration with the theoretical work led by Dr R. A. Frazer,

The spectacular collapse of

the Tacoma Straits suspension bridge led the designers of the proposed Severn and Forth bridges to seek assistance from the National Physical Laboratory in the years immediately after the war because of the relevance of their experience in flutter and aero-elastic instability. With a small team Scruton built a large and novel wind tunnel to test suspension bridge models of 50 feet length using a disused hangar on a deserted and lonely RAF airfield at Thurleigh in Bedfordshire. After the successful completion of these experiments on whole bridge models he realised their relative impracticality for more general use and devised and proved the use of partial models, clastically suspended, that allowed better and more economic testing of not only bridges but other structures.



ics with deep involvement in many large and well known civil engineering structures: the Tamar Bridge, the Jodrell Bank radio telescope, the Post Office Tower and Sydney Opera House. Particular recognitions of his abilities and contributions were a fourweek invited lecture tour of Japan in 1964 and receipt of the 1966 Wolfe Award. In 1967 he was appointed Adrian visiting fellow of the University of Leicester and in 1968 promoted to deputy chief scientific officer (special merit). His most visible memorial is the belical strakes on many chimneys around the world, and possibly the most lasting scientific memorial is the use of his name for a nondimensional parameter, the Scruton Number.

During his career he was invariably conscientions in giving the maximum recognition and career encouragement to his junior staff. Relations with management were not always so good. He had no time for unproductive bureaucracy that hindered what he saw as necessary scientific investigation.

His main recreation was sailing. Starting with the Firefly class in 1955 he moved on to Flying Fifteens and sailed small cruisers. In 1934 he married Letty Shepherd who also worked at NPL and who By 1954 he had become the survives him together with an

SALLY, DUCHESS of WESTMINSTER

Sir Bernard Lovell writes:

and preservers of nature.

At Saighton, in Cheshire, she developed one of the

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to explore the waters of the undaunted and with remark-

THE writer of the obituary notice (May 31) of Sally, Duchess of Westminster rightly described her adventurous spirit that led her Amazon and the jungles of able speed, she transformed Brazil. However, these jour- the unpromising grassland neys were merely transitory surrounding her new home in manifestations of a vital Gloucestershire into another strength that, under con- area of beauty. Her deep ditions of great sorrow, en- understanding of the animate abled her to make her way, as world was manifest in the Lucretius wrote of Epicurus, ardent support and help she several books and pamphlets on political subjects.

In 1933 he married May Sandham, who died in 1970.

"outside the flaming walls of the world and range over the measureless whole". Sally unique presence has vanished from the world of her countsupreme creators of beauty less friends.

classic examples of a great English garden of this century. After the death of her husband in 1967 she left Saighton but.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr M.R. Blythe and Miss J.C. Nicholl

The engagement is announced between Mark Rupert, son of Mrs Sue Blythe, of Wannock, East Sussex, and Joanna Clare, daughter of Mrs Caroline Nicholl, of Warnham, West Sussex, and of the late Rev John Mckillop Nicholl.

Mr A.P. Bridges and Miss H.E. Case

The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mr Barry Bridges, of Norwich, and Mrs G. Stout, of Chailey, and Helen, middle daughter of Mr and Mrs Harry Case, of Porthcawl, South Wales.

Mr G.S.H. Bruell and Miss R.F. McIntosh

The engagement is announced between George Stephen Halstead, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Peter Bruell, of Gerrards Cross. Buckingham-shire, and Ruth Fiona, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Gregor McIntosh, of Northwood, Middlesex.

Mr S.N. Coe and Mrs N. McIrvine The engagement is announced between Sebastian, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Peter Coe, of Futham, London, and Nicola, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Roger Elliott, of Effingham, Surrey,

Mr D.A. Hopkins and Miss S.A. Priestman and Miss S.A. Priestman
The engagement is announced
between Dominic, younger son
of Mr and Mrs Adrian Hopkins,
of Radyr, South Glamorgan,
and Sally, elder daughter of Mr
and Mrs Colin Priestman, of
North End, Essex.

Mr FLJ. Krais and Miss K.J. Lowry

The engagement is announced between Howard, son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Krais, and Katie, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Douglas Lowry.

The Revd P.K. Lee and Miss D.H.J. Chown The engagement is announced between Peter Kenneth, son of

the late Canon and the late Mrs EK. Lee, and Diana Helen Joy, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Mr J. Melrose

and Miss S.J. Barker The engagement is announced between Jonathan, younger son of Dr and Mrs W. Melrose, of Calderstones, Liverpool, and Stephanie, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs R.A. Barker, of

Herongate, Essex,

The engagement is announced between Peter James, of Quainton Hall School, in Harrow, younger son of Mr and Mrs J.M. Milner, of Cranleigh and Aino, daughter of the law Mr and Mrs Agne Löwegren, o Lund, Sweden.

Captain A.W. Neish and Miss S.A. Bredin

The engagement is announced between Angus Neish, 4th/7tl Royal Dragoon Guards, elde son of the late Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs J. Neish, of West Lavington, Wiltshire, and Sarah, younger daughter of Major-General and Mrs H.E.N. Bredin, of Ardleigh, Essex.

Dr F.P. Payne
and Dr P.J. Berry
The engagement is announced
between Frank Philip Payne, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Frank Cecil Payne, of Torquay, Devon, and Philippa Jane Berry, only daughter of the late Mr Thomas Edward Berry and of Mrs Celia Berry, of Hadley Wood Hertfordshire

Mr A.M. Pena and Miss A.C. Pegley and Miss A.C. Pegley
The engagement is announced between Angel, son of the late Schor Angelino Pena and of Schora Irma Pena, of Bogota, Colombia, and Anthea, daughter of Mr and Mrs Colin Pegley, of Bath, Avon.

Dr R. Towler of King's Lynn and Mrs. Toynbee
The engagement is announced between Robert, son of Mr
Towler and the late Mrs Towler, of King's Lynn, and Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs.
Lawrence Toynbee, of Chapel Cottage, Ganthorpe, Yorkshire.

Mr D.R. Valentine and Miss S.D. Sharrar and Wiss S.D. Sourrar
The engagement is announced between Derek, son of Mr and Mrs S. Valentine, of Emsworth, Hampshire, and Sandra, daughter of Mr and Mrs L. Sharrar, of Ashurst, Hampshire.

Parish Clerks' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Parish Clerk's Company for the ensuing year.
Master. Mr. J.H. Gaze: Upper Warden.
Prebendary A.R. Rozell: Upder Warden.
Mr. L.L. Brace.

Margaret Hutton

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Margaret Hutton will be held at Chelmsford Cathe-dral, on Wednesday, June 20, at

Marriages Mr N.A. Crean

Community.

and Miss S.A.I. Mas The marriage took place at the Church of our Most Holy Redeemer and St Thomas More, Cheyne Row, SW3, on Thursday, May 31, between Mr Nicholas Crean and Miss Sarah

Mason. Father Patrick Nolan and Father Edward Crouzet OSB, concelebrated the Nuptia The bride was given marriage by her uncle, Mr Maurice Mason, and was attended by Sophia Akroyd, Lucy Russell-Hills and the page was Hugo Woodhead, Mr Mark

Crean was best man.

Mr P.D. John and Miss S.E. Allen The marriage took place at the Wesleyan Reform Chapel, Syresham, Northamptonshire on Saturday, June 2, 1990, of Mr Philip David John, elder son of Mr Graham John, of Esher, Surrey, and the late Mrs John, and Miss Susan Elizabeth Allen, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs. Fred Allen, of Port Erin, Isle of Man. The service was conducted by the Rev John

Goulder. The bridesmaids were Miss Judith Allen and Miss Catherine Duggins. Dr David Dove was

Service dinners

Royal Army Pay Corps
Officers of the Royal Army Pay
Corps held their Colonel Commandant's dinner last night at
the HQ Mess, Worthy Down,
General Sir John Stibbon, Colonel Commandant, presided and
Major-General J.L. Bartlett, retiring representaive Colonel Commandant, was the principal

Indian Cavalry Officers'

Association
Major-General Stuart Watson was the guest of honour at the annual dinner of the Indian Cavalry Officers' Association held last night at the Cavalry and Guards Club. Brigadier John Woodroffe presided.

Luncheon

The Hon Archie Hamilton, Minister of State for the Armed Forces, was host at a dinner given by the Army Board last night in Hyde Park Barracks in honour of General d'Armèe Gilbert Forzes Chief of the HM Government
Marshal of the RAF Sir David
Craig, Chief of the Defence
Staff, was host yesterday at a
luncheon given by Her Majserv's Government at Admiralty Gilbert Forray, Chief of the General Staff of the French esty's Government at Admiral House in honour of General P.J. Graaff, Chief of the Defence Army. Among those present were: Staff, The Netherlands Armed General Str John and Lady Chappie, Licuinant-General Str Edward and Lady Jones, Mr and Mrs K C Maccionald, Mr and Mrs K C Maccionald, Mr and Mrs Peter Prophet, Mr and Mrs Crit Teet, Brigadier and Mrs Cinton Henshaw, Colonel and Mrs Cinton Henshaw, Colonel and Mrs Critical Strategier and Licuinant-Colonel and Mrs Gerntunch

Forces. Lincoln's Inn Mr William Hubert Dunn, QC, has been elected a Bencher.

Edwards knew where he stood was promptly ordered to leave Workers' Union Edwards was Sandham, who died in 197 when Spain's Civil War broke the country. "Nothing is more a leading campaigner for the He is survived by one son. Memorial services

Mr Norman Parkinson

The Princess Royal was repre-sented by Mr Michael Rasser at a service in memory of and thanksgiving for the life and work of Mr Norman Parkinson held yesterday in Westminster Abbey. The Duke and Duchess of Kent were represented by Mrs Alan Henderson, Prince and Princess Michael of Kent by Sir dra by Major Peter Clarke.

Peter Scott and Princess Alexan-The Dean of Westminster officiated, assisted by the Rev Paul Ferguson, Chaplain and Sacrist. Canon Donald Gray read the prayer attributed to St Francis of Assisi and Gideon Lester read a prayer in Latin. Mr Mark Birley and Miss Zandra Rhodes read the lessons. Mr Karl Hudson-Phillips, QC, gave

an address.
Mr Dexter Joseph played Missy on the steel pan. The Rev Alun Glyn-Jones and the Rev Willie Booth were robed and in the Sacrarium. The Lord Mayor of Westminster attended. Others present included:



Army Board



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Mr Jurek Martin (foreign editor. The Financial Times, also representing the editor. Mr Nigel Wade (foreign editor. The Financial Times, also representing the editor. Mr Nigel Wade (foreign editor. The Unity Telegraph), Mr Frank Tayfor (foreign editor. The Editor): Mr Martin History (foreign editor. The Gundan with Mr Alex Brummer (financial editor): Mr Martin Huckerby (foreign news editor. The Gundan with Mr Alex Brummer (financial editor): Mr Martin Huckerby (foreign news editor. The Coserver), Mr Benetict Brogan (Glazgow Hendul, Mr Bruce Patino) (Taler), Mr Jon Show (TTN), Mr R A Burns (representing the Foreign embassy), Senhor Rul Knopdi (Portuguese Embassy), Senhor Rul Knopdi (Portuguese Embassy), Mrs Serah Larcher (Dudwich Hospital) with Miss Monica Buckley and Miss Care Purheli.

Mr Michael Knipe, Miss Shona Crawford Poole, Mr Alan Hamilton. Mr Peter Evans, Mrs Stephen Glover, Mrs Stephen Rover, Mrs Stephen Glover, Mrs Stephen Glover, Mrs Michael Leagung. Mr Michael Leagung. Mr Michael Leagung. Mr Michael Leagung. Mr Michael Editor, Miss A Darwish, Mr Siman Miss Sarah Levell, Mr Franck, Mrs Mrs Stephen, Mr Stephen Miss Annita Savill, Mr Patrick Marnham, Miss Maggle Brown. Mr James Potettier, Miss A Darwish, Mr Siman Miss Serab Level, Mr Toon Sufctime, Mr Edward Edward Poulling, Mr Michael Fathers, Mr Michael Edward, Mrs Montowandh, Miss Leste Pommer, Mr Rockert Chestsyre and Miss Christin Doyle, Mr Peter Kliner, Mr Peter Miss Level, Mr Franck Wheel, Mr Edward Steen, Mr Franch Westen, M Management and Taylor Joyneon Garrett.

Mr and Mrs Anthony Bansford, Mins Drissilla Beythis, Mr Manolo Gaitanit, Miss Evangelina Stahmit, Mr and Mrs Deimar Blow, Mass Felicity Clark, Mrs Flona Cowan, Miss Arms Ford, Mr Rupert Hambro, Miss Ceila Hammond, Mrs Anna Harvey, Mr Richard Hill. Mr Richard Jobson, Miss Cañerine Johnson, Mr Laurie Lee, Mr Andrew Logan, Mins Simone Mirnay, Miss Edna O'Brien, Mr Terry O'Nelli, Mr and Mrs Robert Sangater, Mrs R Subba Rowe and Mrs Edward Stiro,

Mr Nicholog Achford Mr Nicholas Ashford The Japanese Ambassador was

represented by Mr Manabu Miyagawa at a service of thanksgiving and celebration for the life of Mr Nicholas Ashford held yesterday at St Bride's, Fleet Street. The South African Ambassador was represented by Mr R.J. Ballard-Tremeer and the Secretary-General of the Commonwealth by Mrs Patsy

Canon John Oates officiated. Mr Guy Grieve, stepson, read from the works of Canon Henry from the works of Canon Henry Scott Holland and Mr Stephen Glover, Editor of The Independent on Sunday, read the lesson. Mr Stephen Fay, Deputy Editor of The Independent on Sunday, read excerpts from Nicholas Ashford's work and Mr Peter Pringle, Washington Correspondent of The Independent gave an address. Among others





Dinners

Bakers' Company
The Duchess of St Albans was the principal guest and speaker at a ladies' dinner given by the Bakers' Company last night at Gray's Inn. Mr Stanley Wise, Master, accompanied by Mrs Wise, presided.

Committee for the Monetary Union of Europe Sir Nigel Broackes and the Right Hon David Howell, MP, were hosts at a dinner in honour of the Committee for Monetary Union, at the Ritz Hotel, on June 7. The guests were:

Committee: the Right Hon Lord Callaghan of Cardiff, the Right Hon Lord Richardson of Dunishoume. Sir Fred Callberwood, M Syrband So Maigret Mr Alian Gormiey, Viccomte de Nanteuil. Mine Dominique Demont. Mr Brian Carroway, Dricether. Signor Alfenso Jozzo, M Peut Mentre. Sir Michael Paliter. Sir Peter Petrie, Mr Uwe Plachetta. Baron von Richthofen, Dr Tony Ryan. Mr Niels Thygesen, Mr Christopher Tugendini and Mr Kepophon Zoloba.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Walter and Lady Bromley-Davenport The Lord Lieutenant of Chesh-

ire attended a service of thanks-

giving for the lives of Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Walter and Lady Bromley-Davenport held yesterday at Capesthorne Hall, Macclesfield. The Rev Dr

John N. Roskilly officiated, assisted by Canon A. Sholto Douglas, who led the prayers. Mr Andrew Venables and Mr

Tony Darbyshire read the lessons. Mr David Howell, MP.

and Professor Patrick Horsbrugh gave addresses. The Bishop of Birkenhead pro-nounced the blessing. The band of the The Cheshire Regiment played during the service.

Nuffield Provincial Hospitals Trust The trust celebrated its fiftieth anniversary at a dinner held last night in Middle Temple Hall.

Guests were welcomed by Sir Maurice Shock, chairman of the trust. The toast to the trust was M Valory Chicard o'Estating and Mr Helman Schmidt, (co-Chairman of the proposed by Sir Kenneth Stowe.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL

I will put my breath in them, bring them back to life, and let them live in their own land. Then they will know that I am the Lord who promised to do this. Excited 37: 14

BURTHS

ARBEN - On June 3rd. to Sura-Jane (née Alidna) and Jeremy, a daughter. Caroline Frances Diana, a sister for Simon and Nicholas. Simon and Nicholas.

CASGELS - On June 7th, to
Lucy (née Maitland) and
Charles, a son, Oilver.

CLEFORD-HOLNES - See
Prentic CLEFORD-HOLMES - See Prentice.

DAVIES - On June 1st. to Carol and Peter, a daughter. Emily, a sister for Rhya.

DENT - On June 6th. at Maidstone Hospital, to Vanessa (Ate Linney) & Christopher, the gift of a daughter. Etizabeth Helena Mattinson, a sister for Jonathan.

EMO CAPOBILISTA - On June 4th, to Madeleine and Glovanni, a son, Gebriele.

Ath, to Maddeline and Giovatnii, a son. Cabriele. Fights 7 - On May 26th, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Helen thee Collins) and Mark, a daughter, Sophie Emoke.

EMOKE.

HARLING - On June 3rd, at Whipps Cross Hospital, to Marga (née Bosman) and Adrian, a son. Henry Adrian Nicolus.

HARTH - On June 4th, at the lobe.

MARTIN - On June 4th, at the John Radcilife Hospital. Oxford, to Ruth and Paul, a daughter. Harriet Dorothy. OCHOA - On June 6th, to Frances (nee Ellingworth) and Carlos, a son. William Joseph, a brother for Laura Rose.

PARRY - On June 6th, to Carotyn and Rhys. a daughter. Catherine Victoria (Kaite), a sister for Rhianon. a granddaughter for Mr and Mrs Terry Dike.

PARTEER - On June 5rd, to PARTMER - On June 3rd. to Catherine unce Wickham) and David. a son. Orlando. PRENTICE - On June 1st, to Loretta (née Clifford-Hobries) and Malcolm, a daughter. Olivia Catherine, a sister for

James.

ROSE - On June 4th, at St.

John's Hospital, to Jill and
Stephen, a son Samuel Leigh. Stephen, a son Samuel Leigh.

SMITH - On June 6th. to Paula
(nie Nockl and Simon. a son.
Samuel David.

WIDDOWSON - On June 4th.
to Flona unee Macphie) and
lan. a son. Angus.

WOODTHOSHE - On June Srd.
in Rye. New York. to Rhona
(nie Gibba) and Christopher.
a son. Edwin Raieigh, a
brother for William.

ANNIVERSARIES

HOLT: APPERLY - On June 8th 1940 at St Lawrence's Church, Bidborough, Kent. Oliver Holt to Anne Apperty. Now living in Somersel.

DEATHS

BROWNE - On May 30th 1990. suddenly, Harold Hubert. aged 72. Loving husband. faiter and grandfather. The funeral has taken place.

COOK - On Tuesday June 5th 1990. Eric William. suddenly and peaceruily in his sleep, aged 69 years. Greativ loved husband of Eva and father of Vinginia and Miranda. Private funeral. Donations to the British Heart Foundation.

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DELAMUNTY - On June 6th 1990. peacefully at his home in Scriphy John Edward.

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The Rifle Brigade, pescelully
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HOWELL - On June 6th, peacefully. Vincent George (wynne), of West Ridge. Worldingham. Surrey. Beloved husband of Ruby and dear father of Genitha and Mavis Ann. Funeral Monday June 11th 4 pm at 5t Paul's Church. Woldingham. Family flowers only. Donations to Bowlay Urology Research Fund. St. Bartholomew's Hospital. London ECI.

REATS - On Jime 4th, ptacefully at Farmborough Hosoital Curistopher John, dearly lowed husband of Lyn. Sadly missed by (amily and friends. Funeral Service June 12th 1.30 pm at Beckenham Crematorium, Flowers, if wished, to J.R. Kulick before 11 am, 112 High Street, weat Wicham, let: 081-777 4502.

KELPATRICK - On Sunday
May 27th, at St Peters Hospital. Cherisey, after a short
ilmess, Otwen aged 66. much
loved mother of Stewart.
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all her family and friends. KIMBRELL - On June 6th, Lucinda (née Gillies Shields), suddenly, aged 38. Private family funeral 11 am, June 14th, Isley Walton.

MERCER - On June 3rd 1990.
peacefully. Exmé iris, of
Beckenham and formerly of
Host Wood. Aylesford.
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Detré Mercer, much loved
mother, grandmother, greatgrandmother and friend. The
funeral took place on June
7th at Aylesford Church.

MOORE - On June 5th.
peacefully in his sleep.
Evelyn Garth. Priest.
Barrister-at-Law and Fellow
of Corpus Christi College.
Cambridge. aged 84 years.
Funeral Service in the
College Chapel on Saturday June 16th at 11 am.

OARLEY - On June 5th 1990. suddenly at home. Kenneth Roland Oakley, aged 85 years Dearly loved husband of Molie (Ellean), belowed father of Christopher and Elizabeth, grandpa and greatgrandpa. Ken Oakley was for many years Docks Manager of the Royal Group of Docks and Superintendent. Port of London Authority. Funeral Service at Eastbourne Crematorium on Tuesday June 12th at 3.30 pm. Family flowers only, but donations if desired may be sent to Dorion House School for the Blind, Seal, Kent.

for the Blind, Seal, Kent.

PALABROUNTAIN - On June
Sih, Edgar William Irwin,
very suddenly as the result of
a heart attack. Husband of
Eleanor (Toni) and father of
Nina. Rufus and Chloe. A
much loved man. Funeral ai
St Mary Magdalene. Duns
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followed by interment at Haistock. Thanks be to God for a long and happy life. PERECRIME-JONES - On June PERECRIME JONES - On June
5th 1990, peacefully at
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aged 45. Beloved wife of
David Peregrine-Jones and
devoted mother of Rosie,
Matthew and Toby, Only
daughter of Ritchie and Mary
Gardiner. West Kilbride,
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Hallows, Erricroft Way,
Twickenham, on Tuesday
June 12th at 2.30 pm. to
whith all friends are invited,
followed by cremation at
South West Middlesex Crematorium. Family flowers
only, donations to Royal
Marsden Hospital Appeal,
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POMEROY - On June 1st 1990, suddenly on holiday in Norway, aged 74, Robert William O.B.E., M.A., Ph.D., Dip. AGR. FCI., M.Inst M. Laie of Langford Research Institute Beloved father of Richard and Robert. Funeral Service to be held at St Peter's Church, Market Bosworth. Leiossiershire, Friday June 15th at 12.30 pm. Cremation following at Nunealon. Floral tributes may be sent to McCartney's Funeral Service. 47 Coventry Road. Hinkley, Leics.. lei: (0455) 637138.

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RAVEN - On Wednesday June oth 1990, peacefully at Woodend Hospital. Edward John Palgrate Raven M.A. (Cantabl, aged 79 years, of 12 Beocunsited Piace. Aberdeen. Lale Sentor Lecturer in Classics of Aberdeen University. Dearly loned husband of Betty. Funeral Service in Rubislaw Parish Caurch. Aberdeen, on Monday June 11th at 2.50 pm. Thereafter committed service at Aberdeen Crematorium, Haziehead. East Chapel at 3.50 pm. to which all friends are respectfully invited. No flowers please.

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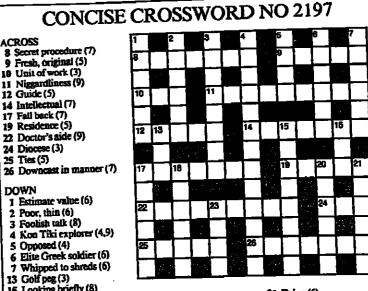
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report to-night, the attempt failed and Professor Valdemaras was arrested. He had flown by seroplane from his place of banishment to Kovno last night. The Government declare themselves masters of the situation.

JUNE 8 Recent events in the Baltic must

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short spell, there was some kind of

democratic government.

PLOT MUTINOUS TROOPS EX-PRIME MINISTER ARRESTED

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT RIGA, June 7 A message from Kovno early today stated that a section of the Army had attempted a Putsch in an effort to reinstate Professor Valdemaras es Dictator of Lithuania. According to a

Another version says that both pro-German and pro-Polish factions were involved in an attempt to dominate or overthrow the existing Government, and that the pro-Germans appeared to have been frustrated. A further message from Kovno tonight says that the pro-German General Kubiliunas, the Chief of Staff, has been dismissed and that the Government heve reached an understanding with the leaders of the malcontents peaceably

ON THIS DAY

to reorganize the Cabinet. Professor Valdemaras, whose name has come up in political speculations at various times during he last few months, is reported to have supporters within the Army. After having been in banishment to the countryside for some years he was have caused many people to realize that their knowledge of Lithuania's history was rather sketchy. From the allowed last winter to live temporarily in Kovno. Early in the spring, however, police visited him at his hotel one night and took him back to 14th century for some 400 years the fortunes of the country were linked to those of Poland. Russian domination the village to which he had been originally banished. The pretext for came later, but in the 1920s, for a

the police action was that he had attempted to resume his political activities. The view is widely held that Professor Valdemaras now fayours a more friendly policy towards Germany, especially in regard to Memel, which was formerly German. Kovno, June 7 - A semi-official statement says that a group of young officers, taking advantage of a test mobilization of the garrison last night, attempted to exercise pressure on the Government with a view to

forcing their resignation and the formation of a Government by Professor Valdemaras. President Smetona categorically refused even to consider such de-mands, and the Chief of the General Staff, General Kubiliunas, resigned, and his place has been taken by the Chief of the Army School, General

Professor Valdemaraa was brought Jackus. in an aeroplane by a young airman from Zarasi, where he had been in banishment. After spending some hours in an aviation camp, he was taken by airmen to the Chief of the General Staff, who handed him over to police headquarters, where he was placed in a state of arrest. Of those who took part in this mutinous adventure, the statement

adds, seven have been arrested and

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Venice, is believed to have a key

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next week on whether the Adriatic city will play host to Expo 2000. This is an "honour" Venice does not want, and which may well

have a devastating effect upon it. Remarkably, Britain's support for

the protection of Venice against

All that the British government

will formally say before the vote

next Thursday is that it has not yet

made up its mind about the competing candidatures of Ven-

ice, Hanover and Toronto. This

indecision is profoundly worrying

an international artistic commu-

nity looking to this country for

Others go further. Sir Ashley

Clarke, former ambassador to

Italy and in retirement now

president of the Venice In Peril

Fund, said: "I have heard from

diplomatic sources in Rome that

Britain's position on this is

ambiguous, to say the least. It

appears to be sliding to Italy's side." And the historian John

Julius Norwich, the fund's chair-

man, said: "The signals are worry-

ing. I read that one of our official

delegates burst out with 'listen, we

are not going to be pressured by the Venice-lovers'."

in organizations as diverse as the

Committee of Unesco's World Heritage Fund and the fledgling

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tion and Development, that a

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Art historians from Moscow to

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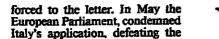
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by 195 to 15 votes. Expo's backers have exploited the international character of the opposition, maintaining that foreign art-lovers and tourists are depriving the city of the investment, new buildings and jobs which would stem from Expo and would ensure it a "modern"

Given the undisputed evidence of peril, why has Venice been thrust into the final for selection? The answer lies in the nature of Italian politics and business, and in the character of two brothers who operate in both fields with formidable dash and aggression. Gianni De Michelis, Italy's

socialist Minister for Foreign Affairs, cuts a remarkable figure, physically and socially, in Italy's greying ranks of familiar political faces. Stout and ill-groomed, he combines a passion for nightlife (author of Where Shall we Go to Dance Tonight, a guide to 250 discos) with solid contacts among Italy's powerful unions. His ambitions are conspicuously Europewide and he is obsessed by the idea that events in Eastern Europe have "restored" Venice to its position at the centre of Europe. He has visited almost 30 coun-

tries (twice lobbying unconvinced Argentina) to get his message across. Some Italians insist he has gone further than mere persua-sion. Signor Giorgio Napolitano, a leading communist politician, accused De Michelis in the Italian parliament this week of having not very clear political and private reasons" for making himself the promoter of Expo.

Not very clear? Signor De Michelis will ensure himself lifene support across the Veneto region if he brings investments of £850 million (at current estimates, probably in reality nearer twice that sum) to boost the regional economy. He would welcome the shattering of Venice's traditional mould: some years ago he was a prime mover in a project to rezone parts of the city, including plans to bring motor-traffic to the world's most famous pedestrian precinct. His businessman brother, Cesare, has led the way in assembling a formidable group of Italian

and international companies who

would build and operate a Vene-

Will Britain pass a sentence of death on Venice?

Venice is again in peril — this time from floods of visitors to a trade fair. Brian James and Rosemary Righter investigate Britain's role in the Machiavellian plots behind next week's vote on the site of Expo 2000

tian Expo. Cesare is now the consortium's vice-president.

The De Michelis brothers' re-

sponse to criticism has been curious. First, Gianni claimed that this was an Expo for the entire region, rather than just Venice. Many features would be staged in Padua or Verona, therefore not all the expected 30 million visitors would flood over the Rialto bridge towards St Mark's. Then Cesare's consortium produced a bizarre "solution" to overcrowding.

Access to Venice would be

controlled by a "credit card", used for reserving tickets for museums and beds in hotels. The card would grant visitors a computer-determined "route" through the city. Non-card holders would queue, possibly for days, for entry. Why a world fair should be staged by a city already fighting to keep crowds away was not explained.

Until last Tuesday, opponents of Expo hoped that the Italian application. Two cabinet members had disowned the whole business, and when the parliament then debated the application no vote was taken - even though they were discussing proposals worth billions of lire which their taxpayers must underwrite. The Prime Minister, Giulio Andreotti, suggested that no vote was required since nothing would be done without the city's approval. But the maintenance of Venetian vigilance is far from guaranteed, since Gianni De Michelis himself is a candidate for mayor (a post he

can hold simultaneously). Signor Andreotti then announced that even if Venice were granted the Expo next week, Italy could still

What effect that extraordinary statement will have next Thursday on the body which decides on the fair, the congress of the Bureau International des Expositions, remains to be seen. But then the BIE itself, an obscure leftover from the League of Nations, is an extraordinary organization. Rased in Paris on the Avenue Victor Hugo,

They would sigh with secret relief if they could get away with walling in central Venice as a permanent outdoor museum while freeing their hands to develop the vast, newlydiscovered gas resources just outside its lagoon, and the potential

it exists solely to decide the siting of global fairs, of which there are three or four a decade.

als of Venice, where the mayor, the police and vast numbers of the population are opposed to the threatened avalanche of visitors to Expo 2000

The organization's membership is a curious assortment of 41 governments, plus Byelorussia and the Ukraine (an anomaly dating to Stalin's negotiations with Roosevelt when the United Nations was founded). Haiti, Monaco and Lebanon - not at first glimpse ideal host countries for world exhibitions - are members. India, the United States, and China are not.

The bureau convenes governmental meetings twice a year a workload so untaxing that most governments send along junior diplomats from Paris embassies. So much, the bureau admits. But it is absurdly closed-mouthed about its activities. The secretariat was unable to provide the names of BIE delegates — the people who will vote on Thursday. BIE's secretary-general, Marie-Hélène frène made no attempt to defend such secrecy: "It's a rule without a reason.'

This can have nothing to do with shielding delegates from improper pressures, since they have no official powers and are supposed to vote according to their government's instruction. But secrecy does shield them from public accountability, should any of them be tempted, under the secret ballot, to disobey orders from capitals. With so much at stake, it is extraordinary that the fate of Venice is in the hands of 100 or so extremely junior dip-

lomats, almost none of whom has any knowledge of the organization of international fairs. When it was visited by The Times this week, the BIE seemed bemused by its sudden notoriety. Outside its small and beautiful offices, members of the Italian Green Party were clambering the railings to affix a huge banner proclaiming that Venice must not be chosen. They insisted that greens from all over Europe would join them within the hour.

Officials of BIE watched warily. A masked commando group weilding batons and teargas canisters had burst in three weeks previously, broken up office machinery, cut the telephone and thrown indelible ink everywhere. The group was protesting against Hanover as a possible site. Mme Detrene said: "Now our offices have police protection and next week our delegates will have to be protected as well." Names can be attached to the

three people who will cast Britain's vote on Thursday. They are Roger James, head of a small arbibitions. exhibitions department in the information section of the Foreign Office, Mrs Hanna Kelner-Szwarc, a locally-hired member of the Paris embassy's information staff; and Ted Allan, one of the very few of those present with any knowledge of the logistics of a big exhibition. He said: "I have been connected with BIE since 1958. I know the animal. It works, We are rather a quiet little organization, and this attention is new. Obviously I cannot discuss who Britain will support, even if I knew. I expect to be told how to vote not before the evening before that vote is taken. In Britain's case, no one person decides. It is an item on a cabinet agenda. The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs will carrying great weight with his colleagues. Remember, we have been asked for support by three

friendly nations." Mr Allan, head of a BIE factfinding mission to the three competing cities, emphasized that this mission made no recommendation, "Not our task. We had to assess the feasibility of each city's proposal, and include any logistical difficulties we envisaged. We did not discuss the political, diplomatic or environmental questions that might arise. "Lobbying? Provided it does

not go beyond what is reasonable we do not discourage it. Cities have sunk a great deal of expectation in their proposals and lobby-ing may be seen as an earnest of their desire to win."

Thursday's meeting has a hidden agenda of two items. One is the fear of many Venetians that Italy is tired of footing the bill for a unique city. They would sigh with secret relief if they could get away with walling in central Venice as a permanent outdoor museum while freeing their hands to develop the vast, newly-discovered gas resources just outside its lagoon, and the shipping potential of its port.

esare De Michelis has bitterly attacked international private restoration funds: "Foreigners can only love Venice if they think it's dying. They are strangling the city with their morbid love. Other cities are allowed to ruin themselves without the rest of the world making a fuss. Why shouldn't we?"

The second item concerns an attempt by Britain to play Machiavelli. The Germans are confident that the claims of Hanover will triumph. On that assumption. Britain has nothing to lose by giving Italy its vote. The vote would be wasted, of course, but would demonstrate what splendid chaps we are, paying off a debt, age. If that is the game it discounts the closeness of the likely result, and the impact on undecided nations if Britain claimed to see no danger in supporting Expo

Mr Allan says: "It is our hope that no one ever discovers who votes for whom - a great many steps are taken to ensure that this secret ballot remains precisely President Mitterrand has already proclaimed France's opposition rom the rooftops. How would Britain ever explainhow it gave its vote to barbarism?

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Ferrari mounts an exhibition to make every Italian heart beat faster

errari is an integral part of Italian national pride. After the war, when the country was struggling to rebuild an economy and a national image, the red cars, streaking to one victory after another, warmed the hearts of even those few Italians who took no interest in motor

An institution so important to national image could scarcely be absent from the series of events which have been organized to coincide with the World Cup. Consequently, it has mounted an exhibition of its classic machines from the Fifties and Sixties at the Forte di Belvedere, a massive 16th-century fortress overlooking the city of Florence.

The centrepieces are nine cars, each covered by a large glass cube: not so much to keep the sticky fingers of little boys off the precious carrozzeria, but to maintain constant temperature and humidity inside. This is not over-protection; a Ferrari GTO from the early Sixties recently beat all records for a classic car when it changed hands for \$15 million (£9.4

million). Because Enzo Ferrari, who died last summer aged 91, insisted that every car built in his tiny factory near Modena had to be sold, Ferrari has had to go to collectors all over the world to bring together such brilliant and historically important models.

The oldest car is a 1948 Barchetta, the car that first put Ferrari on the racing map. Then there are the various Testarossa, GTO, Le Mans, and Daytona of the Fifties and Sixties, finishing with a 1971 512BB, the only rear-engined

car in the show. The rest of the exhibition - the first held by the company, now 90 per cent owned by Fiat - deals with design and production. There are the first sketches of engines, chassis and bodywork, full-size drawings, scale models, the wooden dummies of the bodies used by panelbeaters to hammer the sheet aluminium into complex and voluptuous curves. Most of this material comes from old storerooms at Pininfarina, the Turin body designer and builder who was responsible for almost all Ferrari's bodywork from the early Fifties.

The exhibition, titled L'Idea Ferrari, runs until September 30, and is presented with all the grandeur of one of the year's top art exhibitions. Almost inevitably, some of Italy's cultural commentators have entered into a rather futile debate as to whether a Ferrari can be considered art

Enzo Ferrari, an austere and reserved man who loathed rhetoric, would probably have felt that to describe one of his creations as art is pointless. He was a brilliant, single minded engineer who simply wanted his cars to go faster than anybody else's, regardless of the cost. He built what were possibly the most beautiful internal combustion engines ever seen and a straightforward chassis or frame to

put them in. It was others, notably Pininfarina, who designed and built the bodies. What today is perceived as beauty was to a great extent a by-product of a search for structural and aerodynamic efficiency, and the result of northern Italy's long tradition of mechanical craftsmanship. PAUL BOMPARD



Moving sculpture: a classic from the Ferrari stable

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Shabby tribute to

ngland does not swing "like a pendulum do , n moves 1711-cally. "London itself has a wonderful flowing energy," says Gabrielle Roth, a dancer, teacher and experimental artist who believes that staving in touch with rhythms is the way to combat urban stress.

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Ms Roth is in lyrical London to explain a dance workout that promises to induce sensations from deepest peace to physical ecstasy. As it involves no pain, strain, discipline or committing to mind of complicated routines, the method has a certain

Ms Roth, who has developed herdance therapy over 20 years, is concerned with enhancing, rather than escaping, the modern western lifestyle. She regards her philosophy as a form of western Zen, since it is hased entirely on moving, in contrast to the stillness of eastern technique.

The principal goal of her methods is to cultivate the intuitive, spontaneous self by exploring the full range of the body's natural movements. In particular, she emphasizes the importance of becoming more aware of the five sacred "rhythms", defined as flowing, staccato, chaos, lyrical and

At her workshops this weekend Ms Roth will show participants not only how to recognize and make the most of their "base rhythm", but also to

Dance away your urban blues



If the spirit moves you: Gabrielle Roth, busy feeling London's lyricism

rhythms, so that all may co-exist harmoniously. This involves practising a wide range of movements of varying styles and speed, from very slow and almost static to wildly abandoned and orgiastic. You make up your own steps as you go along, since there is no right or wrong way.

Improved confidence and better relationships are said to be among the benefits. The unconscious mismatching of rhythm goes on all the time," Ms Roth maintains. "Lovers or married people get on each other's nerves, unaware that it is because each is operating in different rhythms.

People five in a place that slowly drives them crazy because they haven't caught its rhythm."

If you feel resistance to the whole idea, Ms Roth is not surprised.

"People balk at entering chaos and find lyrical often foreign to them," she concedes. But we may be moving towards a kindler, gentler - il abandoned and sensuous - form of exercise. Two dances from Brazil, the Capuera and Contemporary Afro Brazilian, both of which incorporate elements of mysticism and ritualistic healing, are now being taught in London Neither requires prior fitness or any special dance skills, and dancers report a deep sense of mental colm coupled with a soaring energy

high after each class.
For those who are still sceptical about the need to get rhythm, Ms Roth offers the example of New York, a city which used to move to "an essentially staccato beat, at its best a sharply uplifting jazzy, syncopated sort of energy". Now New York is too crazed, Ms Roth says. "The people are living in their heads, not their body or spirit, driven by gain. The city has tipped over into borderline chaos."

● Gabrielle Roth is holding workshops today and this weekend at the Lancaster Hall Hotel, 35 Craven Terrace, London W2. For more information contact the Open Gate on 0272 734952.

Singing while the economy burns

Skiathos: Last Wednesday there was a general strike here of all civil servants. Actually, there is a nationwide strike in Greece about once a week now and very pleasant it is, too, as long as one is prepared.
"Would you mind filling up the car sometime today?" asked my host politely at breakfast on Tuesday. "The petrol stations will be on strike tomorrow.

Next day, indeed, the telephone barely worked and the planes landed only occasionally, the newspapers were not flown in from the mainland and, for all I know, Mr Yeltsin has led Russia out of the Soviet Union, leaving Mr Gorbachov to rule over Lithuania with Mrs Thatcher's unswerving support. The Greeks, it seems, have discovered that what made Britain great again was a decade or two of continuous striking and they are getting the hang of it beautifully. This is more try-ing, of course, in urban centres than fishing villages, such as Skiathos. Last winter in Athens, strong winds and a mild rain on the ninth day of the dustmen's strike created a bracing atmosphere for Athe-

nian olfactory systems.

Conventional wisdom says this pottage is all the fault of years of continual featherbedding by Mr Papandreou. He assured his election by adding legions of civil servants to the rolls and giving them heavily indexed salaries together with a little light work. This has not only bankrupted the Greek econonly, but, equally bad, created a large class of people with no particular concern about the state of the national economy. Now the clerks are miffed. The current prime minister, Mr Mitsotakis, has said he is no longer going to index public sector salaries to inflation (currently about 18 per cent) and that hurt. Hence the

My own view is that this is only half the story. If one were to set up a rule of thumb about national character, it might be that charm is antithetical to efficiency. I remember George Mikes' celebrated comment that German Jews managed to combine Prussian charm with Jewish modesty. In that vein, one might say that Greeks are too busy being charming to be efficient. They are, after all, not only among the best-looking people in Europe, but remain the most personable. plate, except in terms of the mind. It's harmless, of course,



BARBARA AMIEL

whose winning ways exceeded both the delay and the £85 he

charged for my meal? Not all Greek delights are accessible. My one night in Athens ought to be spent at a good bazouki spot, I thought, and so I went off to see Mr Alaftharios Pantazis, assured by the concierge at the Grand Bretagne that Mr Pantazis was the very best singer on the circuit. The taxi driver agreed. "He gets \$10,000 a night," he said reverentially. At about lam, after a number of energetic dancers and rather

Anarchists terrorize Greece's citizens and demonstrations clog its streets. Still, the Greeks remain curiously optimistic in the face of chaos

mediocre singers, Mr Pantazis appeared to tumultuous applause and a volley of tinfoil

Alas, it appears Greeks no longer huri crockery to demonstrate their enthusiasm, rather they purchase foil dishes filled with gardenias at about £2 a go. The feilas at the table next to me bought a dozen of these dishes at a time, hurling flowers at Mr Pantazis or their dates as the spirit moved them. The first gardenia hit my sallow cheek at about 1.30am. This sort of How else, indeed, to account exuberant display is typically for my happiness at waiting what we Northern people one-and-a-half hours for a called charming, but honestly vicious looking lobster to I think about an hour of it materialize on my luncheon' would drive me out of my

allowing the hurler to display both wealth and masculinity, but I sense that it doesn't go hand in hand with good

telephone service. Earlier in the evening, I stumbled upon an outdoor wedding at a small Greek orthodox church opposite the Acropolis. There was a buzz of lights and cameras. "The groom is one of Greece's most famous journalists," whis-pered an onlooker. I would have guessed it, actually. There is a uniform look to journalists the world over that goes beyond our chronically soiled appearance and speaks to a small patch of sourness in

our souls. Anyway, just as the couple were saying their vows, a car pulled up and the Greek prime minister jumped out and scrambled up to the church. His arrival coincided with the ending of the Acropolis' son et lumière performances, so there was an awful confusion of dumpy Americans in Reeboks pushing past the prime minister and wedding guests. As I watched the sacred and profane collide, it all seemed rather an easy metaphor for Greece.

In the past year, Greece has seen three elections, four governments, and two - or is it three? - hung parliaments. Strikes rule Greece's economy, anarchists terrorize its citizens and demonstrations led by priests and nihilists clog its streets. Still, the Greeks remain curiously optimistic, even gay in the face of chaos. I don't know enough about modern Greece to comment on its social institutions, but one notes with amazement its mix of a high tradition of civilization and the depressed economy of a Third World

One thinks back to the lengthy civil war in Greece between the communists and non-communists which, in its bloody and awful terror, was almost Lebanese in character. Part of the answer to the Greek riddle, one supposes, may lie in the Middle Eastern influences here. Mr Pantazis' songs, after all, which touched such a chord in his audience, sounded to me like Italian soul in Arab arrangements.

But here, away from Athens, in the pretty hills of Skiathos, the only worry is where to put the 7,000 package tour arrivals who will descend on the island daily once high season begins — strikes permitting. Until they arrive, the odd villager mends a net. It's off-season, you see, and residents of fishing villages have to do something, so they

Sins of the father revisited

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war criminals

he high point of the new film Music Box is a *cri de coeur* from the central character, a naturalized American accused of having been the most atrocious of the murderous Arrow Cross police officers in Budapest in

"This man couldn't do this - it's not me," he cries in court. "Don't you understand? I'm the father of two American children. I'm...

I'm ..." and then he faints. By this point in the film, several transparently honest witnesses have told their ghastly stories, and have identified a photograph of a young uniformed man as the monstrous "Mishka".

What makes this moment so extraordinary is that the director, Costa Gavras, dares to suggest that a changed, perhaps quite another, Mishka Laszlo really may be able, at that moment, to believe he is

not that man. The idea for this film came Demjanjuk, where the man accused of being "Ivan the Terrible" of Treblinka, the concentration camp in Poland, claims it is a case of mistaken identity. But the film is much more than that. M Gavras injects dimensions of morality which make us confront our own innate prejudices, and add to our underconflicts. "I am documenting and transmitting memories." be on one crime against humanity. It has to delve into the awareness of the human



Defending the indefensible: daughter and father in a courtroom scene

condition -- only this may

make us stronger. Music Box explores the relationship between the mill worker Mishka, and the lawyer daughter he adores. Defending him before a Jewour under-almost ish judge, she wins the case. But her despair at what she incomprehensible human hears in the court, and her father's subtle metamorphosis from refugee humility to Ar-M Gavras says. "This cannot row Cross arrogance, force her to take one further step, which produces the unexpected. To those who have known several

ilies, the central conflicts are achingly familiar.

I knew Franz Stangl best. I imprisonment as an accessory to the murder of hundreds of thousands during his tenure as commandant of Treblinka.

His wife had no idea what her husband was doing until she and their two small girls were allowed to visit him in June 1942. He was then at Sobibor, where his job, he told

ing "construction projects".

Two weeks into the holiday
a young SS man, tipsy and desperate, told her the truth. The next day Stangl - after assuring her his was merely an administrative job and he was about to be transferred anyway - sent his family home. His transfer was to Treblinka. Thirty years later, in Brazil, Theresa Stangl told me that

after Sobibor, she couldn't bear knowing, so she blocked it out. "I never allowed myself to think that women and children had been killed . . . I had to think like this, in order to maintain our life and, if you like, my sanity. He was an incredibly good and kind father . . . the children adored

him."
When I met Renata, the youngest of Stangl's two not long afterwards daughters, she was 33 years at his trial — and held out his old, slim, blonde, with a hand to a survivor of delicate and vulnerable face. Treblinka, who had identified best friend anyone could ever have had," she said. "All I can say is that I have read all that's been written about my father "So what do you say?" I asked M Gavras, whose "Mishka" says "it's not me..." and — perhaps but nothing - nothing on earth - will make me believe that he has knowingly done wrong. I know it is illogical; I witnesses; and now I know what he himself said to you.

SS corporal in charge of the gas chambers in Treblinka; later, and his son Horst and daughter-in-law took him in. "What else could we do?" said Horst. "He is my father. When they came to arrest him, I didn't know anything. All he was, you know, before, was a must individually carve out little carpenter in the Sudetenland. But when he got that black SS uniform, he changed beyond recognition. And

"Mishka Laszlos" - or John then, in Treblinka - it is Demjanjuks - and their fam- inconceivable, isn't it, what he was brought to believe he was. The power, the uniqueness the difference between himself spent weeks talking to him in and those others. The worst of Düsseldorf prison in 1971, after he was sentenced to life ren... Dear God, how shall I tell my son?"

And Demjanjuk, whose case is now on appeal in Israel? "If I thought my father served in his son John Jr Sobibor," recently said in an American documentary, "then I could no longer support him."

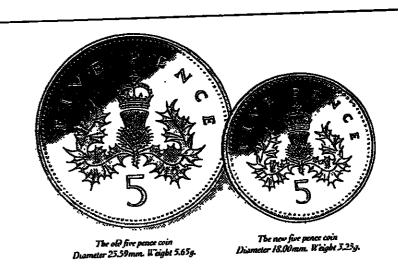
In 1987 I took John Jr and his two older sisters to lunch her as he installed his family in Jerusalem. They were in a manor house five and are - polite, exhausted kilometres from the exter- and very sad. They knew that I mination camp, was supervis- had doubts that their father had been "Ivan the Terrible". but, equally, that I was certain he had been part of the murder programme in Poland, as a guard in Sobibor and elsewhere. At that point, I still hoped that something could be done to help that otherwise doomed man to admit to the slightly less damaging truth. "Could you not let him know," I asked, "that even if, as a 22-year-old peasant boy, he was persuaded by the Nazis to serve them, probably without knowing what it was he would have to do, you could still love him? They were silent, which gave me hope.

и "Үсиг Нолош'я. I'm innocent, innocent, INNOCENT," Demjanjuk stated 'He was the best father, the him over and over as Ivan. believes it. "Are the accused in these cases victims, too?" "I think they end up as their

own victims," he said. "It is know about the trial and the no excuse, no justification nothing is. I do feel, though, that human beings are subject But he was my father ... I to the morals which surround love him. I will always love them in childhood and the laws which govern their Gustav Münzberger was the environment in adolescence.
S corporal in charge of the "It is perhaps worth remembering that the most sentenced to 12 years in 1965, civilized society on earth, he was discharged six years ancient Greece, was the only country in the world where laws were made by men setting their minds above and beyond religious ethics. I am an agnostic, but I profoundly believe that human beings

> what memories can help, can teach us, to do."

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John Russell Taylor welcomes the new-look Tate Gallery's bold line on neo-classicism, and finds the Royal Academy Summer

Exhibition even more agreeably unpredictable than usual

he first of the Tate Gallery's big set-pieces since the radical rehang, On Classic Ground (Millbank, London SW1, until September 2), is a show intelligence. The reasoning behind it may be off-putting, but the passion cannot be ignored or

Under its placid-seeming surface, the show is determinedly contentious. According to the critical orthodoxy of the last halfcentury there has been one acceptable road for modern art. from Impressionism to Abstraction. Anybody who failed or refused to learn the lessons of Analytical Cubism and went right on with Figurative Art into the Twenties and Thirties was dismissed as retrograde - unless, like Picasso, he was too important to be relegated. That, at least, is how we saw things until the Eighties, when a widespread return to figurative painting triggered a reappraisal of 20th-century art history.

The alternative figurative tradition, its roots and early branches, is what On Classic Ground is all about. In the midst of the chaos, physical and emotional, occasioned by the First World War, the young Jean Cocteau demanded a "recall to order". He meant that artists should renounce the unbridled subjectivity of pre-war art movements such as Expressionism and Futurism, and return to human representation; particularly, to the long-

despised Classical tradition. Cocteau was reflecting his time rather than directing it. Neo-Classicism, however, was primarily the prerogative of Mediterranean cultures, and On Classic Ground sensibly sticks to painters and sculptors from France, Italy and Spain (mainly Catalonia). It is controversial in giving equal space to Spain and Italy. We would expect to see Léger, Derain, the chameleon Picasso and De Chi-rico, but we would not expect to see, in the same context, painters as unfamiliar as Sunyer or

Casorati, sculptors such as Martini or Gargallo. The point made is that they are unfamiliar precisely because they are not French, and do not fit in with the view that anything important must have happened in Paris. ven if the reasoning leaves you

cold, there is no doubt about the appeal of most of the art exhibited. It is good to be reminded of the monumental side of Matisse, which never loses sight of human values, and the bursting vitality of Picasso's personal recall to order. It is fascinating to see a couple of very early Miros and Dalis, and to observe how good they were before whimsy took over in one case and slickness in the other.

The show has the most impressive of all Carra paintings, "The Daughters of Lot", where the geometry and the Neo-Primitivism are kept in rapt balance (Carra is a painter best appreciated in small doses). The organizers have the wit to hang together a small Cézanne "Bathers" and a Gris pencil copy of just such a painting, to make the connection instantly clear. Anyone who has not before encountered such grand and tranquil works as Felice Casorati's Silvana Cenni", Achille Funi's "Maternity" or Joaquim Sunyer's "Pastoral", or sculptures as breathtakingly simple as Arturo Martini's "Torso", viewed from

the back, has a treat in store.

Also on classic ground, in a rather different sense, is the Royal Academy's 222nd Summer Exhibition (Piccadilly, London W1; until August 19). This year the Academy seems to be pushing the idea of a great leap forward, the hallowed halls of Abstraction, to show that at last the Academy is

It is certainly true that there is more Abstraction around this year, and that it is mixed in with other styles in a sensible way. Moreover, the Academy appears to have convinced a number of our better Abstractionists that its interest is sincere.

Yet the Academy seems sublimely unaware that the trend of the last decade has brought fashion round to it, instead of requiring it to bend to fashion. Never mind. The overall result is a lively and agreeable show, making the Academy's wavering quality control on these occasions seem an accurate reflection of the anything-goes pluralism apparent on the art-scene today.

Some old Academy stand-bys have suffered in the process. The little South Room normally reserved for the smallest and most fiddling, and often most haunting, paintings has let in much fuzziness and vagueness this year, Peter Hodson's "The Dovecot at Naunton" being a notable exception. The architecture room is dominated by Neo-Classical or Neo-Elizabethan pastiche.

In sculpture, things are looking up, with distinctive work by some of our more uncompromisingly eccentric (and instantly recognizable) artists such as Eduardo Paolozzi and Michael Sandle on view, as well as distinctive pieces



"Maternity", 1921, by Achille Funi, from the On Classic Ground exhibition at the Tate Gallery

by relative newcomers such as Ana Maria Pacheco (a giant and intimidating polychromatic head) and Dhruva Mistry (an exquisitely fragile boat in plaster).

Eccentricity is indeed, as so often in the past, the saving grace of the summer show. It is sad to note how many Academicians have memorial displays this year. Robert Buhler, Ruskin Spear, Cecil Collins, Edward Bawden, Betty Swanwick, Feliks Topolski, William Scott. But it is enlightening to note also their extraordinary variety, and the vitality this imparts to their work.

This is the real answer to the Academy's search for a rapprochement with modernism: in Britain, at least, rooted oddity has been the vital force, and it is silly to try to

reduce it to order now. Happily, too, the best of the younger generation seem equally wayward. Look at the tense, subtly violent New York scenes of Bill Jacklin, the Magic Realist pictures of Alfred Whiteley, the heaving, tempestuous landscape-based abstractions of the new R.A., Anthony Whishaw, the coolly immaculate industrial interiors of Ben Johnson, the abstracted land-

scapes of Philip Jones, the weirdness of David Hepher, Mick Rooney and Graham Crowley.

There are too many pastiches of Schiele and Nolde, too many flower pieces some way after Matisse. But there are also genuine Academy lunacies such as Gary James's neo-Holman Hunt "River Market, illusionistically-carved frame and all, and neglected artists such as William Belcher who, with a decent representation, suddenly look pretty good. Amazingly, the Academy retains its ability to surprise, and this year the surprises are mostly very pleasant.

CRITICS' CHOICE

ART EXHIBITIONS

TROPICAL: Admirers of Adrian George's draughtsmanship, frequently seen in *The Times*, will be intrigued to see his latest, fushest work, inspired by a trip last year to the South Seas.

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PICTURED PEOPLE: The National Portrait Gallery's annual Portrait Award has become the BP Award. Otherwise the mixture as before: in parts good, in parts alarmingly awful. National Portrait Gallery, St Martin's Place, London WC2 (071-306 0055). Sun. 2-Born, until September 2.

AMANDA FAULKNER: A powerful, pelpably feminist young painter, Glenys Barton's ceramic Artists and Green Warriors are harder to pin down. Flowers East (both exhibitions), 199/205 Richmond Road, London E8 (081-985 3333), Tues-Sun, 10am-6pm, until July 1.

MAJOLICA REVISITED: Majolica has not been a medium much used recently. Matthias Ostermann's strange figures are legendary rather than folksy. Michaelson & Orient, 328 Portobello Road, W10 (081-969 4119). Tues-Sat, 10.30am-5.30pm, until June 23.

PATRICK HAYMAN: Anyone who went to his last show at Carnden Arts Centre and liked it, will enjoy a further Blond Fine Art, Unit 10, Canalside

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W1 (071-629 0024). June 14-23, Mon-Fri, 11am-8pm, Sat, Sun, 11am-6pm. Admission, including handbook, £10 (excellent handbook £3, but only applicable on June 23).

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LUCIE RIE: Superb bronze head of this outstanding potter by Hans Coper, circa 1953, unites two leading figures in contemporary ceramics (est £35,000). Rie, Coper, Bernard Leach, Elizabeth Fritsch, John Ward, and others also featured, reinforcing Bonhar Knightsbridge, London, SW7 (071-584 9161). Viewing: Sun, 12-5pm, Mon, 8.45am-7pm, Tues, 8.45am-6pm, Wed, 8.45am-1pm. Sale: Wed, 6pm.

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CLASSICAL MUSIC: BATH FESTIVAL

Adventurousness does not have to depend on money Paul Griffiths commends the budget-conscious quirkiness of a West Country music festival when the boys were joined by a

festivals is the banal, dispiriting one that adventurous programming is the first victim of financial stringency. But somehow Amelia Freedman at the Bath Festival is keeping up the engagingly off-centre traditions estab-lished in the 1970s by Michael Tippett and William Glock. This is, of course, by its architectural nature, a place for classical chamber music, which quite properly forms the bulk of the repertory, but the Bath Festival now has an identity beyond that of the city (indeed, it has a geography beyond that of the city, spreading out to Bristol, Wells and village churches), and part of its specialness is its serious concern with

new music and jazz. One particularly valuable Bath tradition is that of the mini-retrospective of a chosen younger British composer, This year Colin Matthews was represented by his big musical narrative The Great Journey and by several chamber

pieces, including a new work, Five Concertinos, commissioned for the wind quintet of the Ensemble InterContemporain, though played in the event with the assistance of Angela Malsbury on the bass clarinet. No explanation was offered as to why the French clarinettist could not undertake the doubling.

Each of the two-minute concertinos is a single musical state with one of the instruments as soloist and also as outsider. The oboe begins, with declamatory insistence recalling its role in Varèse's Intégrales. Then comes a sequence of oily bubblings over a prominent motif from the bass clarinet, and a flicking mechanical march with the bassoon out of step. The piccolo leads the ensemble into drifting high chords, and finally the horn sets off an increasingly prickly debate.

All the pieces are neatly made,

and the concertino device helps overcome the problems of sonority and form inherent in this grouping. But it was unhelpful programming to remind us immediately that the same trick had been used by Ligeti in his Ten

Matthews dedicated his new work to Henri Dutilleux, who was also present at the festival to hear brief moments from his oeuvre. His wife Geneviève Joy played a new piano prelude. Le jeu des contraires, and was joined by Florent Boffard in Figures de résonance; then the Scottish Chamber Orchestra under Jukka-Pekka Saraste introduced Mystère de l'instant, the latest in the endless parade of pieces commissioned by Paul Sacher.

The work is scored for strings with sporadic contributions from percussion and, as in the composer's recent Violin Concerto, a

cimbalom, which provides not only atmosphere in its janglings but also the sense of a giant, distorted pizzicato, a nightmare carried on the floating body of strings. And float the music does. Dutilleux's harmonic language, rooted in flavoursome diatonic discords reminiscent sometimes of Ravel or Bartok, lends itself to luxuriation; the quicker impulses tend to come from ostinatos, while the fascinations lie in the colouring: harmonics, glissandos and

wide gaps between registers. Dutilieux has said that he wrote Mystère de l'instant as a sequence of improvisations, but in fact the ten short sections are linked into a fluid continuity by the character and essential simplicity of the style, with its emphases on single lines or mass effects, on arpeggiolike gestures and on gradual metamorphosis. Even when the penultimate section pays a com-

pliment to the commissioner in transcribing his name, the new motif, because the composer has fitted it into his style, does not ruffle the surface of the dream. Apart from contemporary music, the Bath Festival this year

has drawn some of its special colour from the music of Spain. brought to Wells Cathedral this week by the Escolania de Montserrat. This was the first time the boys from the national shrine of Catalonia had appeared in this country, and they introduced themselves with a programme divided between 16th-century Spanish polyphony and the work more specifically of Montserrat composers during the two centuries that followed.

The chief astonishment, however, was their sound, and in particular the great gap between a lustrous, seamless treble line and a group of five tenors, these altos often seemed still to be at the bottom of the texture. The 16th-century part of the

programme consisted of a succession of short pieces coming to a climax with four by Victoria. In the second half the dominant figure was Joan Cererols, represented by a Kyrie and Gloria, and by a couple of lively vernacular pieces, all usefully given some context by the Hambovant C vo omnes of his teacher Joan March. Most of this part of the pro-

gramme is to be repeated tomor row evening in Clifton Cathedral, with a second half completing the history of Montserrat up to the music of the monastery's present musical director, Ireneu Segarra, whose excellence as a choirmaster was already shown at Wells (several of the pieces were sung with total confidence from memory).

• On Tuesday, Richard Morrison will be reporting on the Aldeburgh

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Shadow soap-boxing bout

n response to a feeling that in the last decade the British theatre has been unresponsive to public events, and that lack of charity should perhaps begin at home, the Royal Court launches a series of staged dialogues this weekend. Writers and commentators, from Julie Burchill to the Bishop of Durham, and from Manfred Karge to Roger Scruton, have been asked to consider the way we live now. One of the opening contrib-

utors is Mark Fisher, Shadow Minister for the Arts and the only likely old Etonian of the cabinet-in-waiting (assuming he manages to secure a seat in it). Fisher's dialogue questions liberal inclinations and attitudes towards censorship, questioning whether the latter is always wrong. That may seem an un-

predictable query to come from a Labour arts spokesman, but Fisher has always been unlikely casting. The son of a Tory MP for Surbiton, he moved on from Eton (where Tam Dalyell was the only other future star socialist of my hands. So then I formed a film group with the sons of Rex Harrison and Roy Boulting and we got one of our productions into the San Sebastian festival. We also commissioned Harrison Birtwistle's first film score. But a career in critically-acclaimed short documentaries rapidly declined into writing rubbishy thrillers, so I turned to the theatre instead."

That, too, proved some-

Mark Fisher MP, **Shadow Minister** for the Arts, has

written a stage dialogue, in the West End tonight.

He talks to Sheridan Morley

Theatre in Basingstoke, and I think it was the only time in Arts Council history that a commissioned play failed even to earn back its grant at Peter Cheeseman's Theatrein-the-Round at Stoke. intending to write and teach, but that was where the career started to change."

Fisher was offered a job running a Centre for Further Education where, through the early 1970s, he organized artist-in-residence courses and his schooldays) to Cambridge:

"I had vague thoughts of becoming an actor," he says,
"until it dawned on me that I never knew what to do with Stoke-on-Trent Central. "I belong to that Labour generation which has never known a Ministry: there are only about five from bench opposition spokesmen who have ever of compulsory grant, because been in office, and only two of if I do that everyone will just those were in cabinet, so it's a stick to the bottom, but there new world."

job in January 1987 and has ever since. His earliest policy documents were received with of state. thing of an anti-climax after rather less than rave reviews. Fisher's glittering-prize start but the latest looks as though at Cambridge: "I got an Arts it could run and run. Outlin- involvement of, say, Trans-Council grant of £250 to write ing an Arts and Media Min-port, we've got to make sure a play for the new Horseshoe istry under Labour, in antic-



Fisher: His play failed ipation of a Labour victory at the next election, Fisher promises to pull together all the culture industries (heritage, archaeology, publishing, the box-office during a run of recording, film, theatre, design three weeks. Then I went to and architecture) under one ministry which will also take responsibility for the dev-elopment of and access to broadcasting, though regula-tion of that would stay with the Home Office. What this means, essentially, is an arts ministry with (for the first time) its own economic clout, a powerful organization rather

than a nominal authority. Fisher also supports the VAT zero-rating of the performing arts, which would give the RSC alone an extra £1.5 million a year, and he aims to make arts funding the statutory responsibility of ev-ery local authority: "I don't plan to set any minimum level has to be a mandatory require-Fisher was given the Arts ment on local government to support the arts, and we have been shadowing Richard Luce to get cultural policies accepted by all the departments

> "Just as you can't run a Green policy without the

Environment and Equal Opportunities, through all departments. Hospitals need good designers and landscape gardeners as well as medical facilities.'

But there are notes of caution here too: Fisher is well aware that Kinnock has not yet even guaranteed his arts minister a cabinet ranking. "Labour arts policy is certainly not to issue blank cheques or write off all deficits. We do have expansionist plans, but I still don't believe you solve arts problems by throwing money at them. At the moment a third of Britain's performing companies are trading in deficit, with an accumulated loss of many millions and audiences dropping by anywhere from 10 to -20 per cent as the economy worsens and there is less money to spend on tickets.
"But the arts need manage-

ment as well as money; when the French managed to double their government subsidy, it took months, if not years, to build an administration which could handle the new money intelligently. I don't want a vast, bureaucratic arts ma-chine, but a small, light-footed ministry to pull together all of. the arts and applied industries.

"The experience of Glasgow is that a whole city has been turned around by its arts policy. Now we have to do that for the rest of the country, thinking laterally. For 2 per cent of the £550 million it currently costs to run Britain's parks, they could be turned into centres of performing excellence as well. There's a lot to do." And, of course, election to be won.

● Mark Fisher's dialogue, at the Royal Court Theatre Upstairs.

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Aztec Camera: Stray (WEA 9031-71694-1)

THERE is an academic quality about Aztec Camera that extends from the very name of the "group" - in reality nothing more than an ad hoc vehicle for the singing, guitar playing and writing of young Roddy Frame - to the heart of the music itself. Frame is one of those gifted performers with a sophisticated musical bent. Like Ray Davies in his prime, he creates finely-sculpted, popular times that hang together so comfortably you feel that you have known them all your life.

On Stray, the focus of attention has shifted away from the drippy love sones and soul ballad pas-tiches which typified Love, the last Aztec Camera album, released in 1987. Instead, there is a raft of uptempo, rocky material such as "Crying Scene", "Get Outta Lon-don" and "How It Is" that is despatched with brisk panache and a rollicking Charlie Watts-

style backbeat.

But then, like a radio being flipped at random between stations, the music snaps disconcertingly into the schmaltzy, cocktaillounge ballad of "Over my Head" or the meandering navel-contemplation of "Notting Hill Blues" and "Song for a Friend": two songs which close the album on a regrettably maudlin note.

Most revealing of all is the

sudden appearance of Mick Jones on "Good Morning Britain", a virtually perfect pastiche of the Big Audio Dynamite sound. Chameleon-like as ever, Frame blurs the edges of his normally resonant, wholesome voice to fit in with Jones's anaemic mumble.

Frame has the requisite technique and imagination to make Stray the desirable artefact that it undoubtedly is, but he tries too hard to be all things to all people. Eventually, one is left wondering what, if anything, his music really stands for.

Steve Vai: Passion and Warfare (Food For Thought GRUB 17)

What is either overlooked or simply taken for granted in the rush to dismiss heavy rock/metal music as some sort of farcical Boy's Own aberration is how extraordinarily well-played most of it is. Thus, we may be absolutely confident that a guitarist who has survived stints with Frank Zappa and David Lee Roth and was subsequently implored by David Coverdale to join Whitesnake, is going to know his way

round a fretboard. What does come as something of a surprise is how richly varied, accessible and generally entertaining Steve Vai's solo début is, considering it is an almost entirely

instrumental collection of tunes played in the hard rock idiom.

The reference points which quickly come to mind are Eddie Van Halen, particularly on the squealing "Erotic Nightmares" and Jeff Beck, whose recording of the Jan Hammer song "Blue Wind" is echoed here on a number called "I Would Love To".

But Vai invests enough of himself in the music to rise above such comparisons, most notably on the gorgeously delicate, twinkling, post-Hendrix arpeggios of "Sisters" and the magisterial Nineties' blueswailing textures of Blue Powder", making this an intelligent piece of work.

Marc Almond: Enchanted (Parlophone PCS 7344)

Once again, dear Marc Almond mints the most exquisitely decadent musical coin from the basest of ores. His hishly orchestrated songs are populated by a rogues' gallery of characters — "Waifs and Strays", "A Lover Spurned", "Orpheus in Red Velvet" - most of them bent over by the weight of their anger, grief or loneliness and all destined to dispense or receive wild extremes of joy and pain.

With his precise enunciation

and arch delivery, Almond remains a master of the threeminute melodrama, but the most pleasing aspect of this album is the freshness he has injected into his themes. "Madame de la Luna" has all the vitality of a great traditional show tune, while the graceful Lambada rhythm of "Carnival of Life" sweeps all before it. Most impressive of all is "Death's Diary", a modern parable of considerable wit and insight, with a constantly repeated chorus that has the kind of magical quality that has enabled some folk rhymes to survive for centuries.

James: Gold Mother (Fontana 846 189-1)

Despite freshening up their act with a recent batch of personnel changes, and the canny drafting in of the fashionable Inspiral Carpets as backing singers on the title track, James is still a band which bears the mark of the old, discredited Smiths-dominated

Their fourth album, Gold Mother, is a solid trawl through the back pages of Sixties' rock, executed with a classic indie-band mixture of carelessness and flair. The hit single "How was it for you?" is by far the best example of their bouncy, ringing pop, but the formula does not always produce material that sticks so firmly in the memory or which is sufficiently distinct to cut through the general clamour of Nineties music. DAVID SINCLAIR

Not-so-lucky old Sun shines on

David Toop talks to

Sun Ra, supremely idiosyncratic veteran

US bandleader

pace vibrations have been keeping Sun Ra awake for the past month."The frequency moves so fast," he complains. Unfortunately, they do not prevent him from falling asleep during one of my questions. His assistant, a quiet young man with dreadlocks, gently touches him to wake him and his eyes open. "I am listen-

ing," he says.
Sun Ra has been listening to the space vibrations and painting his musical pictures of infinity for at least three-and-a-half decades. As with everything else in his life, the formation of his first band in Chicago was an event surrounded by deliberate mystification. A photograph exists, dated circa

1956, which shows a group called Sun Ra and his Men, all dressed conventionally in dark suits and striped ties. There are also records from this period, with track titles such as "Tapestry from an As-teroid", "Lullaby for Realville" and "Kingdom of Not".

These science-fiction odes to the future could be linked historically with the percussive blocks of sounds composed by Edgard Va-rese or the jazz arranging of Tadd Dameron and Duke Ellington, particularly Ellington's Jungle Band of the late 1920s. They are most unusual in conveying a strong sense of being the first steps in Sun Ra's creation of himself as the central force of a bizarre and self-contained artistic universe.

The US is beset with eccentrics who ordain themselves as the heads of mail-order churches based on UFO sightings. Such visions are rarely constructive, even for their devotees, but Sun Ra's vehicle of creative and philosophical expression, his Arkestra, has been maintained, against all the economic odds, in continually changing forms as a touring and recording unit. He is in London, following an invitation to play in Moscow to celebrate the space flight of Yuri Gagarin, and his concert on Sunday, performing on the same bill as Cabaret Voltaire and A Guy Called Gerald, will introduce him to yet another generation of rock

This periodic rediscovery of Sun Ra's music seems to coincide with each new phase of ecological



Son Ra: "Use your imagination and get out of the most drab places by simply holding outo the imagination and making it real."

awareness and spiritual inquiry. Now in his mid-seventies, Ra is not discouraged by the peaks and dips of public enthusiasm. "This planet has always rejected innovators," he says. Commercial record companies occasionally fund a recording but the majority of his album releases — often esti-mated to exceed 100 — have appeared on his own labels. Labels such as Thoth and El Saturn, sometimes recorded in Solar Fidelity or Galacto-Fidelity, have always been highly desirable collectors' items, but during the last two years a number of releases have raised the Sun Ra profile

A version of "Pink Elephants on Parade", the hallucination song from Dumbo, appeared on Hal Wilner's recent collection of interpretations of Walt Disney music. Two complementary releases followed. The rock label, Blast First, compiled a selection of rare tracks from the late 1960s, Out There a Minute, while the A&M Modern Masters series released Blue Delight, a recently recorded album.

Records cannot convey the unique blend of low-budget spectacle, gravity and sly humour contained within a Sun Ra performance. Seated at the grand piano in the reception of his hotel, dressed in robes and a hat which

can best be described as examples of extra-terrestrial Oxfam chic, he drifts into a jet-lagged reverie and improvises a piece which encompasses impressionistic tone clusters, rhapsodic runs, some jazz balladry and hints of Harlem stride pianos. The image is at once absurd and affecting. Few other musicians have created a myth of such dogged thoroughness.

Little is known of his background. He was born in Alabama and studied music. "I never wanted to be a leader," he says. "Even in high school they elected me a valedictorian. I turned it down. I didn't want that because I saw what was happening to lead-

ers. I thought leaders were an endangered species." He moved to Chicago and played in Fletcher Henderson's band, contributing his advanced harmonies and feel for sound. Eventually, the need to lead his own band became too strong to ignore.

"Imagination makes everything nice," Ra says. "Use your imagination and get out of the most drab places by simply holding on to the imagination and making it real." That sums up the most unusual bandleading career of the century.

• For details of the Braish appearances by Sun Ra and his Arkestra, see the Jazz listings below.

MUSIC BUSINESS

Small guys grow up and get tougher

Rose Rouse on the

fourth Umbrella seminar, a trade fair

for the independent record industry

T n the late 1970s, the punk movement spawned an alter-A native music scene. Major record labels no longer provided the only access to making records. Suddenly all manner of obscure little bands were having 500 singles pressed up, which they then sold at their concerts. "Do it yourself" was the key phrase and independent record labels such as Stiff, Rough Trade, and Factory

were the result.

However, these days the independent music sector has changed. Only too aware of its unprofessional reputation in the mid-1980s - a difficult period for indie labels when many bands such as Aztec Camera and Scritti Politti forsook the family atmosphere at Rough Trade for

business sense at the majors - the independent labels reorganized and joined the enterprise culture. Consequently, they have become increasingly successful.

"In the mid-1980s, the majors had started to weaken the independent scene by buying up a lot of their bands," says Christopher Williams, chairman of Umbrella, the independent music association. "But the proliferation of independent dance labels has changed all of that." Additionally, bands like New Order, Depeche Mode, and Happy Mondays have made a conscious decision to stay independent. They have given people more confidence not to sign with a major," says Williams.
"Even the decision by PWL [Stock, Aitken, and Waterman's labell to stay independent as a matter of principle has strength-ened our standing."

There are now more than 250 active independent record labels in Britain, and although the top five are responsible for most of it, the indie sector accounts for 20 per cent of the singles market and 15 per cent of the album market. Within a £400m music industry,

these percentages represent a considerably larger slice than three years ago. They also mean the independent industry is able to take itself more seriously. This month sees the fourth Umbrella seminar, which is a trade fair and information exchange for the in-

dependent music industry. The Umbrella - the association of independent record labels with

as a pressure group seven years We got together in response to Music Week's arbitrary decision to include records that were distributed by major labels in the alternative charts," says Williams. "We saw it as a move to increase ad-base support for those pages."
Two years later, they won Music Week over, but by that time they



Depeche Mode: Made a conscious decision to stay independent

mutual complaints.

Traditionally, organizations like the BPI have made decisions without consulting the indepen-dent sector," says Williams. "So you get a situation where an independent record has sold enough to get in the charts. But it's not eligible because it doesn't conform to BPI rules. For instance, it may have too many tracks or it may be too short." Such issues will be discussed in depth at their seminar weekend as will the minutiae of distribution and the television satellite sta-

Bands can no longer walk into Rough Trade with 500 seven-inch singles and expect instant help.
They want the band to handle some promotions themselves and do effective live performances, says Williams. The independent industry is growing up, and the Umbrella seminar should help in this sometimes difficult process. • The fourth Umbrella seminar The journ Umbrella seminar takes place at the Novotel Hotel, Hammersmith, London W6, on June 16 & 17. More information from 081-991 5591.



ROCK

URBAN DANCE SQUAD: Posthip hop/heavy rock fiends from Amsterdam with a ferocious and compelling live show.Guided by Rude Boy Remington's whiplash raps, the band deploys deft Hendrix guitar quotes, with a bass sound cranked to overkill. Marquee, 105 Charing Cross Road, London WC2 (071-437 6603), Wed, 7pm, £5. THEY MIGHT BE GIANTS: The two Johns from Brooklyn. Their album, Flood, came with more than its fair share of bilge, but they have charmed audiences with their hyperactive combination of harmony pop, vaudeville and lightweight rock 'n' roll. Irish Centre, York Road, Leeds (0532 480887), Mon. 7.30pm, £6. Ritz, Whitworth Street West, Manchester (061 236 4355). Tues, 7.30pm, £6. Pavilion, 121 Renfield Street, Glasgow (041 332 1846).

Thurs, 7.30pm, £6. GARY MOORE: Heavy-metal guitar whizz who has not spared the horses in his attempts to claim a set of blues credentials retrospectively. He has roped in veterans Albert Collins and Albert King to lend weight to his album, Still Got the Blues.

Edinburgh Playhouse, 18-21 Greenside Place (031 557 2590). Sun, 7.30pm, £10-£11. Newcastle City Hall, Northumberland Road (091 261 2606), Mon. 7.30pm, £10-£11. Hull City Hall, Victoria Square (0482 226655), Tues, 7 30pm, £10 Guildhail, Guildhail Square, Portsmouth (0705 824355). Thurs, 7.30pm, £10-£11.

NEW MODEL ARMY: Northern. post-punk, clog-wearing renegades with a stavishly devoted following. Their 1986 album, The Ghost of Cain, was an intense and

superlative offering, but they have since gone off the boil. Queen Elizabeth Hall, West Street, Oldham (061 678 4072).

Wed, 7.30pm, £6. Riverside, 57-59 Melbourne Street, Newcastle (091 261 4386), Thurs, 7.30pm, £6. THE STRAY CATS: Dependable, over-tattooed, rockabilly dudes featuring the redoubtable chief quiff, Brian Setzer. Town & Country, 8-17 Highgale Road, London NWS (071-284 Road, London NWS 730cm 58. 0303), Wed, Thurs, 7.30pm, £8.

JOHN MARTYN: These last few dates wind up a long period of intense activity to promote The disappointingly restrained

St George's Hall, Hall Ings. Bradford (0274 752000), tonight, 7.30pm, £5.50-£7.50. Lewisham Theatre, Rushey Green, London SE6 (081-690 0002), tomorrow, 7.30pm, £8.50. Crucible, Norfolk Street, Sheffield (0742 769922). Sun, 7.30pm, £6.50

ALANNAH MYLES: Alluring "Black Velvet" chanteuse, having played support on Robert Plant's dates, now intent on kicking butt in her own right. Keele University, Stoke-on-Trent

(0782 711411), tomorrow, 8pm, £6. Town & Country, 8-17 Highgate Road, London NW5 (071-284 0303), Sun, 7.30pm, £8.50. BOO YAA T.R.I.B.E.: Family of

grossly overweight Samoan toughguy rappers from Los Angeles, touting a tedious album glorifying violence, misogyny and the good funky beat. Not for the faint-Town & Country, 8-17 Highgate

Road, London NW5 (071-284 0303), Tues, 7.30pm, £8.50.

CRITICS' CHOICE: ROCK, JAZZ AND WORLD MUSIC septuagenarian cosmic shaman The Bluecoat, School Lane.

BIG MUSIC FOR A SMALL AUDITORIUM: A self-mocking title for an adventurous Lake District selection of jazz and world music performers: John Surman/John Taylor (tonight), Miroslav Vitous (tomorrow), Steve Williamson (Sun), Andy Sheppard (Mon), Egberto Gismonti (Tues), Eduardo Niebła & Antonio Forcione (Wed), L. Shankar (Thurs, and June 15). Zefferelli's, Compston Road, Ambleside (05394 33845), from tonight, 8pm, prices vary.

JAZZ WARRIORS: A one-off concert by the all-black big band which has provided a launch-pad for a string of young players. Greenwich Festival, The Borough Hall, 151 Powys Street, London SE18 (081-317 8687), tomorrow,

ANDY SHEPPARD: A brief tour with cellist Ernst Reijseger. percussionist Nana Vasconcelos and vibes player Orphy Robinson. The Marquee, Blandford (0258 456260), tomorrow, 9pm, day ticket 19. Bath Festival (with Roberto Pla's Latin Jazz Ensemble). The Pavision (information: 0225 463362), Sun, 7pm, £7. Zetterelli's (see above). Mon.

OLIVER JONES: The opening date of the Canadian plantst's tour boasted some uplitting gospelinfluenced vamps and Pizza Express, 10 Dean Street, London W1 (071-439 8722), Sun, 9.30pm, So. Fairfield Halls. Park Lane, Croydon (081-668 9291). Tues, 8pm, £4.50-£6.50. Concorde Restaurant, Stoneham Lane, Eastleigh, Hampshire (0703 613989), Wed, 9pm, £7.50.

SUN RA: Popular with a new DAVID SINCLAIR young audience, the

serves up more absurdist charts. Wed, 7pm, £5.50. Liverpool (051 709 5297), tonight, doors open 8pm, £8. The Mean Fiddler, 28a Harlesden High Street, London (081-961 5490).

Mon, 8pm, £8. (see feature above) ANDREW CYRILLE: The rarelysighted Free Jazz drummer, best known for his work with avantgarde pianist Cecil Taylor. The Junction, 10 Grand Junction Road, Brighton (0273 207192), Thurs, 10pm-2am, £4.

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WORLD MUSIC

PAPUA NEW GUINEA MUSIC VILLAGE: Outdoor performances by musicians, dancers and ricketers from the Trobriand Islands and the Sepik River and Mount Hagen areas of New Guinea. The haunting sound of the Sepik sacred flutes should provide the greatest musical interest Gunnersbury Park, London W3 (081-568 1176), tonight-Sun, tonight 6.30pm, tomorrow and Sun, 6pm, 25.

L. SHANKAR: The virtuosity of this amazing Indian violinist is equalty at home with extended raga improvisations, exotic jazz fusion and cameo appearances with rock stars.

The Haymarket, Belgrave Gate, Leicester (0533 539797), tomorrow, 8pm, 26. Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 8800). Sun, 7.30pm, 57 50-£15.

SOUL BROTHERS: One of South Africa's top mbaganga groups, distinguished by their smooth instrumental and vocal sound, hard rhythms and flashy stage outfits. The Studio, Frogmore Street, Bristol (0934 414483), Tues,

7.30pm, £7. The Event, West Street, Brighton (0273 732627).

CABARET VOLTAIRE: Sheffield's electronic experimentalists, Manchester's techno-wizard, A Guy Called Gerald, and the Walt Disney repertoire of that venerable eccentric, Sun Ra, will make this a concert for staunch individualists. Britton Academy, Stockwell Road, London SW9 (071-325 1022). Sun, 7pm, £10.

NAJMA AKHTAR: A singer with an exquisite voice whose jazz-tinged varsions of Indian poetic ghazais have a striking ongmality. Playhouse, Wellington Circus, Nottingham (0602 419419), Sun,

CREOLE: Led by Dominican-born Cameron Pierre, Creole combines Zouk, Cadence and Soca into a highly danceable mixture. Bass Clef, Coronet Street, London N1 (071-729 2476), tomorrow. 8.30pm, 26.50.

VANE VE AFRIKA: Featuring Torera Mpedzisi on !humb piāno, and supported by Donkey Jive. Willesden Green Library Centre. High Road, Willesden Green, London NW10 (081-451 0294). tonight, 8.30pm, £4.50.

DAVID TOOP **EARLY WARNING**

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REVIEWS

Tempted to extravagance

THEATRE

Temptation Westminster

WHEN Vaclay Havel visited the Barbican Centre a few weeks ago. he had some nice advice for the assembled cognoscenti, literati and RSC people. "If you want your plays properly performed", he said, "become a president". Well, he is no doubt right about productions of his work in Czechoslovakia. Last night, watching James Roose-Evans's overwrought new production of his Temptation, I found myself wishing he had a bit more aesthetic power in Britain.

It says much for Havel's passion and skill that his satiric updating of the Faust legend remains so eloquent. Somewhere behind the production's gaudy ado is a study of the moral convolutions of the dissident in a corrupt society. It is interesting because it is interesting, not because its author has

achieved high office. Henry Forster - as Faust has been renamed so that we British can feel accused too - works for a scientific institute devoted to the extinction of all "irrational mysticism". Here, material fact is ultimate truth, yet the definition of both fact and truth depends on "circumstances". Marxism is never mentioned, and does not need to be. Havel is clearly referring to that or any other philosophy which ends by enshrining the socially expedient as

objective science. Anyway, Aden Gillett's Forster is already in the grip of "superstition" - that is, religious belief - when he meets Sylvester McCoy's encouraging little Mephistopheles. Disaster soon follows. Denounced by his boss as the surprising yet logical final twist is

enemy of truth, and threatened with the loss of his livelihood, he reacts with duplicity and more duplicity, like a double agent in a Le Carré novel. He assures the scientists he is infiltrating the ranks of the metaphysicians, and assures McCoy's metaphysician he is infiltrating the scientists. Before long we hardly know what he believes. Nor does he.

The text itself owes something to Franz Kafka and Milan Kundera, but its surrealism is understated and its thrust obvious enough. This is a world of spies and agents provocateurs, lies and evasions, which distorts the decent and punishes the straightforward. A Gretchen figure, artlessly in love with the confused Forster, is summarily fired for the sin of defending him. There is no need, then, to

italicize the grotesque or gild the silly. Yet that is what Roose-Evans has done. The action occurs on and round a pink hospital bed guarded by a leather-overcoated garl with roses and a heavy in dark glasses. The institute's director repetitively enters to loud patriotic music while smug, toadying boffins throw confetti and wave flags embossed with smiling lips. A conversation becomes a parody show-trial. The actors go in for angular poses, Monty Python walks, weird voices, and comic

artificiality galore. This stylized hype does not touch Gillett's Faust, who is inexplicably content to be big and boring. It does not prevent Frank Middlemass doddering and bleating amusingly through the role of the director, or McCoy giving the performance of the evening: an impish blend of Dudley Moore and Ken Dodd, a dilapidated hobgoblin exuding goofy gentility

and flashing wicked smiles. Yet excess still triumphs. A



Impish: Sylvester McCoy (top) with Aden Gillett in Temptation

subverted (I cannot reveal why) by the cosmic bangs and flashes that have gratuitously occurred. And a quieter performance would give more point to a coda in which Faust is feted by the trimmers and

optimist. "My characters have no

hope for the future. Their prob-

lems lie so far in the past and are

so advanced, they are no longer in

ulacy which define Kroetz's characters are undoubtedly facts

of life in advanced capitalist

societies. Yet, in the end, there is

something preposterous about

these characters. Their dehuman-

ization is forced not by external

conditions but by the writer's

intellectual system. If Kroetz

knew these people from the inside

he would not portray them in this

BAC 1990 Young Director Award,

obviously believes in the West

German playwright: her produc-

tion has integrity and she has

inspired strong, committed per-

Brotherston's elaborate décor and

there is some rather ineffective

Finally, when all the partici-

pants have removed their blue or

khaki tunics to reveal their white

undershirts and braces, and

presumably their common

humanity, they disappear through

a brilliantly lit doorway into

clouds of smoke. All fairly predict-

able and leaving me in agreement

with a lady in the audience who

said: "I felt it should have gripped

Gillian Lynne's inspiration for

Lipizzaner came from the Spanish

Riding School in Vienna, although

a programme note states that it is

strobe lighting.

me, but it didn't."

Penny Ciniewicz, winner of the

The deprivation and inartic-

the position to express them.

tricksters who condemned him, as must be happening to Havel now. How can we feel the irony of the festive hubbub when so much has been hubbub before?

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

Sara Lilian Baylis

LEATHER-BACKED chairs at the side of the stage where the cellist, violinist and flautist play when not figuring as servants in the action; a single wooden rafter tilted above a grander chair and a small table - these are the precise and simple elements of Nick Ormerod's design for Cheek by Jowl's English première of Les-

sing's bourgeois drama. Written in the 18th century and translated into English in the 19th. its long wait to reach the stage is the more surprising for its evident debt to English models. Characters' names echo those of Restoration drama: Mellefont the rake, with whom the naïve Sara Sampson elopes from London to a Dover inn, and Marwood, the rejected mistress, who hastens

after them, bent on revenge. The play is important in Euronean theatre for being the dist since the Golden Age of Spain to allow tragic emotions to the bourgeoisie. Nevertheless, it is clear that its author, an ardent admirer of Shakespeare, had not grasped his master's way with comedy. I do not know how

DANCE

Northern Ballet

Sadler's Wells

IT WAS a case of keeping the best

until last with Northern Ballet

Theatre's triple bill which opened

the company's Sadler's Wells sea-

son on Wednesday night. Not that

Ronald Hynd's Liaisons Amour-

ruses us a masterpiece, but it is a

well-crafted work with a sound

structure and a story-line that can

be told in dance. It concerns two

couples plus a ione gentleman and

their relationship, past, present

Polonius would have categorized Home Work the play. As tragi-farce, perhaps, if Battersea Arts Centre not failing back on comparisons with mermaids or griffins, crea-

tures that change their nature half For almost all its length, Sara is a witty comedy of passion. Declan Donnellan's direction perhaps over-emphasizes the comedy, but the laughter is unmistakably there in the writing. Sheila Gish could not play Marwood other than as a woman choking over her own fury, a lioness obliged to coo like a dove. Her lines dictate her approach to the role, and she is

wonderfully funny. In the very last scenes of the play, Lessing seems to recall that he intended to write a tragedy, and that his Sara (Rachel Joyce) has always wanted to be a murder victim. Out come the slow-acting poison and the death-bed speeches - in this case, her death-chair. Raad Rauwi's Mellefont, too, decides he is more antique Roman

Although this shift in tone batters the play's integrity, its earlier comedy is zestfully performed. Enjoy it as a rediscoverd comedy of manners and let pass what Lessing finally made of it.

It takes place in a belle époque

restaurant overlooking the Eiffel

Tower - marvellously indicated

in Peter Docherty's stylish dé-

cor - and is danced to a compila-

tion of jolly Offenbach tunes arranged by Carl Davis.

There are gallant gentlemen, ardent lovers, a chorus of dancing

waiters, and lots of attractive

dances which show the cast to

advantage without overtaxing

them. It made a rousing finale to a

taken his inspiration for Strange

Meeting from Wilfred Owen's

poem written during the First

The all-male cast does a great

Michael Pink has, I imagine,

rather subdued programme.

World War.

JEREMY KINGSTON

(two adults, one child). Cathy Ryan's attractive set is both too sentimental and too naturalistic to accommodate Kroetz's numbed. deadened figures. Bursts of Carl A WOMAN tries to induce an Orff's Carmina Burana are almost abortion with a knitting needle ludicrously incongruous. The rewhile her husband continues to fill sult of too much realism is that the seed packets with seeds. This is the knitting-needle business seems world of Franz Xaver Kroetz, a not so much shocking as absurd. playwright who makes Samuel Beckett look like an irresponsible

Ciniewicz's response to Kroetz's depiction of unbearable monotony is to emphasize it. She has encouraged her actors to vary their tone as little as possible. Within these constraints, Elizabeth Rider's Martha, the wife who cleans all day and comes home to clean in the evening, is a remarkable performance. Her almost reptilian expression of stony acceptance

will remain in the memory.

Billy Hartman's Willie looks puzzled, blank and resentful all at the same time. The performance which shows the most resistance to Kroetz's perverse demands is that of Clare Matthews, who ot help making 10-year-old Monica look intelligent and alive. The tempo is unremittingly ploding, and had me wishing the play would end half-an-hour before it did. Unalloyed bleakness does not necessarily impart significance.

HARRY EYRES

formances from her cast of three deal of leaping about against Lez

not about the school - the horses are women. The horsey effect is maintained, however, by pony-tail hair styles and a great deal of head tossing and pawing the ground. There is some kind of story-line, it would seem, from the anguished gesticulating of Francesco Vil-licich as the chef d'équipage, but just what it was never became clear, unless he was warning about the dangers of mad horse disease.

The ballet is welcome for its guest stars, Trinidad Sevillano and Patrick Armand, but it is a work which makes it easy to understand why some people regard classical ballet as too trivial to be real art.

JUDITH CRUICKSHANK

NEW RELEASES

CLEAN AND SOBER (15): Aggressively bleat porman of the officulties in breaking a cotaine habit, with Michael Ksaton as a real estate executive, made in 1968. Director, reel estate executive. Glenn Gordon Caron Cannon Cheisea (071-352 5096) Warner (071-439 0791).

CREATOR (15); inustraining black comedy-domance saved from its muddle by Peter O'Toole – delightful as a rotty; scientest trying to bring his opea wife to life. With Mantel Heimingway, Vincent Spano, directed by Ivan Passer in 1955 Ordeon Leicester Square (071-930 6111).

DIAMOND SKULLS (18): Gutsy tale ct the anstocratic fast set, with Gabriel Byrne as a jealcus businessman myo'ved in a fatal car accident. Amanda Donichoe Michael Hordem; director, Nicholas Erocimield Cannons: Fulham Road (071-570 2636) Shahasbury Avenue (071-336 5861)

NOTEBOOK ON CITIES AND CLOTHES (U): Whin Wender's mitating dar, him about the Japanese lastion designer Yothi Yamamoto preparing a Pens show: for dehards only Render (971-837 8402).

THE PACKAGE (15): Modes: thrifer given a touch of class by Gene Hackman's performance as an American sergeant. lumbing across a conspiracy endergeing the American and Soviet leaders, With Tommy

Odeons: Kensington (071-602 6544/5) Swiss Cottage (071-722 5505) Leicester Square (071-33) 6111).

THREE WOMEN IN LOVE (18): Amable comedy of sexual manners from West German film-maker Rudolf Thome about a name young man laken up by three warren who run a ren's coming store.

Carnons Procedity (071-427-3561)

Tottenham Court Road (071-636-6148).

CINEMA PARADISO (PG): Gusepoe Tomatore's nostatigo tate of a small Sicilian cinema, a hugely appealing satute to the Curzons: Maytair (071-465 8865) Phoenix (071-240 9661).

CURRENT

DREAMS (PG): Alora Kurosawa's fantasia on themes of violence, ecology, and the artist's urge to create, unaven, a touch naive, but a visual feast. Cate (071-727 40-3) Lumière (071-836 0691) Screen on the Hill (071-435 3366).

A DRIVING MISS DAISY (UP Sweet.

THE GOOS MUST BE CRAZY II (PG): Comical curtups in the Kalahan desert bunch of civilization's finest, an African bushnen and his children Orude comedy for the unsophisticated, director, Jame Uys. Cannon Oxford Street (U71-636 0310).

♦ HARD TO KILL (18): Steven Seagal as a coo emerging from a sever-year ceage as a coo emerging from a sever-year come to averige himself on his assailants. Lackustre action fare, with Keely Le Brock. Carmons. Oxford Street (071-636 G310) Panison Street (071-930 0631) Warner (071-439 0791) Whateleys (071-792 3303/3324) HARLEM NIGHTS (15): Tired, vulgar
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TABSURD PERSON SINGULAR: Aydiboum's schangly furny senous-comedy, directed by the author.
Whitehall Theams, Whitehall, SWI (071-867 1119), Underground: Charring Cross. Mon-Set, Born, mats Thurs, 3pm and Set, 4,30pm, Planning time: 2hrs 25mms, Booking to Aug 11

ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL: Paul LI ALL'S WELL Plan ENDS WELL Pair.
Vensbles makes the problem hero a credibly young pup in a production charged with good sense and cash.
Berbican Theatine, Barbican Centre, EC2 (071-638 8891). Underground: Berbucan/
Moorgate/Si Paul's. Tonight, tomorrow, 7.30pm, mat tomorrow, 2pm. Running time: Stre. In recently.

☐ BEREMICE: Lindsay Duncan the love-striction herome in chilly Racine. National (Cottestoe), South Bank, SE1 (071-929 2252) Underground/BR Waterloo. Tonight, tomorrow, 7 30pm, mat tomorrow, 2.30pm. Running time. 2hrs 20mms. In reportory.

BURN THIS: John Melicovich is eyecatching but mannered as the write force in Lantord Wilson's American comedy. Hampateed Theatre, Swiss Cottage, NW3 (071-722 9301), Underground Swiss Cottage Mon-Sat, Spon, mat Sat, 4pm. R time: 2ms 55mns. Umil July 7.

☐ FASHION: Revised revival of Doug Lucie's piercing estire on advertising ethics. Tricycle, 269 Kilbum High Road, NW6 (071-328 1000). Underground Kitoum, Mon-Sat, Bpm, met Sat, 4pm. Running time: 2hrs 30mins. Ends June 23.

 HANGING THE PRESIDENT: Traverse
Theatre's chilling drama by Nichele Celeste,
set in a Pretoris jail where two white Butteress are to be hanged next morning.

Batterese Arts Centre, Levender Hill,
SW11 (171-223 223). Underground/ER:
Chaphen Common/Clephen Junction.

Tues-Sun, Spm. Fluming time: 1hr 30mins. Until
June 17. THENRY IV: Sound production of Pirandelio's masterwork: Richard Harris effective as the man who must pretend to

be emperor. Whrndham's, Charling Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1116) Underground Lexcester Square. Mon-Sat. Bom, mass Wed. 3pm and Set. 4pm Running time. 2hrs 20mins. Booking to July 7. * MAN OF THE MOMENT: Mas

* MAN OF THE MOMENT: Masterly harsh comedy by Aychbourn good meets evil on the Costa del Sol, with Nichaet Gambon, Peter Bowles, Gloop Theatre, Smallesbury Avenue, W1 (071-437-3957) Underground: Pocacilly Circus. Mon-Frt. 7 45pm, Sat. 8.30pm, mate W3, 30pm and Sat. 5pm. Rusning time. 2hrs 30mins. Booking to Aug 18.

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where Indicated with the symbol () on release across the country.

vehicle for Eddie Murphy (ambitiously serving as writer, director and start). Cernons: Baker Street (071-835 9772) Oxford Street (071-835 0310) Pisza (071-497 9390 Withdiams (171-705 0310) Pisza (071-497 9999) Whiteleys (071-792 3303/3324). THE HUNT FOR RED OCTOBER

 PTIE HUNT TO THE HUNT THE ♦ INTERNAL AFFAIRS (18): Richard • INTERNAL AFFAIRS (19): Homero Gere and Andy Genza as Los Angeles cope sucked who a vortex of insecurity and compten. Tired thrifer, given some kick by British director Mike Figgs. Carmon Futhern Road (071-370 2536) Plaza (071-497 9999) Whiteleys (071-792 3303/3324).

JOHNNY HANDSOME (15): Grating, unsympament action fodder from directly Walter Hill, with Mickey Rourke as a

disfigured crimenal who plans a double tollowing plastic surgery. With Ellen E. Cennon Haymarket (071-839 1527). ♠ KING OF THE WIND (U): Peter Duffel's picturesque family film based on the real-life adventures of an 18th-century mute Areb boy (Navin Chowdhry) and his horse. With

Nigel Hawthome, Jenny Agutter. Odeon Swiss Cottaga (071-722 5905). ♦ THE KRAYS (18): Brooding, bloody drama about the rise and fail of the East End gangsiers. Irom war-time childhood to incarceration in separate prisons. Peter Medak directs an imaginatively chosen cast. Gary and Martin Kenn; Bake Whitelew. Cannon Chelisee (071-352 5096) Odeons: Kensington (071-502 5544/5) West End (071-503 5252/7615) Whiteleys (071-792 3313/264)

♦ LOCK WHO'S TALKING (12): Intentile comedy about an unmanned mum and her laborg beby John Travolta, Kinsbe Alley and Bruce Wilks's voice.

Cannon Parton Street (071-830 0631)

Warner (071-459 0791) Whiteleys (071-792

LOVERBOY (15): Patrick Dempsey as a trisky pizze delivery boy with appreciative woman clients. Disappointing, bland comedy from director Jose Mackin Silver. Cannon Haymerket (071-839 1527).

A M-CARE AND MRS MILLER (18): Revival of Robert Altman's moody Western about a gambler (Warren Beatty) establishing a bordello in a mining lown. With Julie Christie. ICA Cinema (071-930 3847).

MONSIEUR HIRE (15): Intense, stylish version of Simenon novel about a bachelor's dark obsession with his neighbour; a striking achievement by director Patrice Leconte, previously known for comedies With Michel Blanc and Sandrine Bonnaire

MY LEFT FOOT (15): The Christy Bro story, uplifting fare, marvellously acted, with Oscer winners Daniel Day-Lewis and da Fncker. mere (071-439 4470).

THEATRE GUIDE

current theatre in London House full, returns only ★ Some seats available ☐ Seats at all prices

[7] NOR! AND GERTIE: Signor Cadell Patnois Hodge amble down Me Coward. Cowerd. Camedy Theatre, Penton Street, SW1 (071-830 2578). Underground: Plocadilly Circus. Mon-Fr. Bom. Sat. B. 15pm, mets Wed, 3pm and Sat. Spm. Running time: 2hrs 10mins. Ends June 16.

PEER GYNT: Ibsan's epic, boldly staged; memorably ugly trots. National Theatre (Olivier) (as above). Tonght, temorrow, 7pm, rest temorrow, 1,30pm Running time. 3hrs 20mms. In

Oxford Circus, Mon-Sat, Born, Running

PUNES MENT WITHOUT
REVENGE?: Riveting production of Lope de
Vegr's last play an honorable crime
hombly and subtly avenged.
Gate, Prince Albert Pub, 11 Pembridge

☐ RETURN TO THE FORBIDDEN
PLANET: 18 rock in roll show, tacky but joby,
Instiplicable winner of Best Musical award.
Carabridge Theathe, Seven Dels, WC2
(071-379 5299), Underground: Lecester
Square, Mon-Thurs, 8pm, Fri and Set,
8.30pm, mats Fri and Set, 5pm, Furming time:
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Estensen as Willy Russell's comestic worm turning into a Greek nymph.

Dutes of York's Theetre, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122). Underground: Leacester Square. Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm and Set, 5pm. Running time: 2hrs 15mms. Booking to June 30.

A NIGHTMARE ON ELM STREET 5: A NegHTMARE ON ELIN STREET B: THE DREAM CHILD (18): Robert Englund's vengetul monster tedously prays on yet more children. Grussomely polished special effects, but the plot is a thing of sheeps

end patches. Cennon Penson Street (071-630 0531). ♦ NUNS ON THE RUN (12) Eric Idie and bie Cottrane sheltering as runs in Janet man's convent school. Fast and dy, amed at fanciers of the

Jonathan Lynn: Odeons: Haymarket (071-839 7697) Kensington (071-602 6844/5) Merble Arch (071-723 2011) Swiss Cottage (071-722 5905) Screen on the Green (071-226 3820) Writibeleys (071-792 3903/3324). ♦ THE PUNKSHER (18): Routing ggery, based on the Mervel Comics racter, with Dolph Lundgren as a

Cennons: Oxdord Street (071-536 0310)

 PRETTY WOMAN (15): Stemelessly old-lashioned romantic comedy, given son modest charm and spende by Julia Roberts as a gawky prostitute who soften crust of ruthless businessman Richard. Gere. Director: Garry Marshell Gere, Director: Gerry Mershell, Camden Perinavy (071-267 7034)
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A SHORT FILM ABOUT LOVE (18): Krzysztof Krestowski's powerkuł and eerie tale of voyeunem and sexuel talum. Second in the senes based on the Ten Commandments. Premiera (171-439 4470).

♦ SWEETIE (15): Prickly Australian Vane Cempon, posed on the knife edge between nightness and fance. Camden Plaza (171-455 2443) Chelses. Cinema (171-351 3742) Metro (171-437 0757).

♦ TROP BELLE POUR TOII (18): Gérard Departieu dithers between his wife a mistress. Skillul setire on mantal mon from Bertrand Blier. Premiere (071-439 4470) Renoir (071-837 8402).

THE VANISHING (12): The boyldend of a tourist ladnapped in France hunts for her

Stuzer. Carmon Chelses (071-352 5095) Tottenhem Court Road (071-536 6148) Metro (071-437 0757).

WE'RE NO ANGELS (15): Robert De Niro and Seen Penn as convicts heling out is monastery. Combail comedy-drawe parties saved by its strong paried atmosphere; director, Neil Jardan. Empire (071-497 9999) Whiteleys (071-792 3303/3324).

♦ THE WITCHES (PG): Roald Dahl's tale ◆ THE WITCHES (PG): Float Dain's tate of witches attempting to turn children into mice, pleasantly adapted and vigorously sched (especially by Anjelica Huston), though without much sign of a major director at the helm (Nicolas Floeg).
Carndan Participating (071-257-7034)
Cannons: Fullham Fload (071-370-2836)
Shaffesbury Avenue (071-836-8861)
Mineria (071-235-4225) Prince Charles (071-427-8181)
Whitesleys (071-782-3303/3324).

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of

☐ THE POLICE: Mainly crass production of Staworm Mozzik's 1956 satire on a secret police force left with no-one to arrest. Sono-Poly Theatra, 16 Ruding House Street, W1 (071-636 9050). Underground:

Sates, Prince Augent Poor, 1 Pentanogel Road, W11 (071-229 0706), Underground: Notang HB Gate, Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats June 9, 16, 2.30pm. Running time: 2hra 40mins. Ends June 16.

☐ SHADOWLANDS: Nigel Hawthorne,

M SINGER: Peter Flannery's dark comedy: Antony Sher riveting as the champleon-like Jew clambering through British society. The Pit, Barbican Centre (as above). Tonight, tomorrow, 7.30pm, met tomor 2pm. Ronning time: 3hrs. In reportory. SUNDAY IN THE PARK WITH CEORRAT IN THE PAPER WITH GEORGE: Spirit-liting Sondheim inspired by Seurat's panting of a million dots. National Theatre (Lyttellon) (as above). Non-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 2.15pm. Not in reportory. Rurang time: 2hrs 50mins. Ends June 16.

THE TABLE OF THE TWO HORSEMEN: The love that dare not speak its name, tongue-tied in the officers' moss at

Remajoral. Gracer's HEL SE10 (081-868 7755). British Rull: Greenwich. Mon-Set 7.45pm, met Set, 2.30pm. Running time. 2hrs 20mins. Ends June 16.

□ VANILIA: Starry cast (Joanna Lurriey, Sidn Philips) cavort in a grotseque tragi-terce, about the super-rich. Lyric, Staffestoury Avenue, W1 (071-437 366). Underground: Piccadley Circus. Mon-Fri, Spm, Sat, 8.30pm, mats Wed, 2.30pm and Sat, Spm. Rurreng time: the 30mms. Booking to Sent ★ THE WILD DUCK: Superbly delailed

At THE WALD DUCK: Superity detailed Peter Hall production with Alex Jennings in top form as the conticely settish Highman. A great evening. Phoenix, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (1771-836 2284), Underground: Tottenham Court Road, Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mate Thurs and Sat, 2.30pm. Plunning time: 3hrs. Booking to THE WOMAN IN BLACK: Superior

graves.
Fortune Theetre, Russell Street, WC2
(071-838 2238), Underground: Covert Gerden
Man-Set, Spm. mats Tues, Spm and Set,
4pm. Running time: 2hrs. Booting to Sept.

LONG RUNNERS: M Aspects of Love: Phone of Wales Theatre (071-839 5972). U Blood Brothers: Albery (071-987 1115). U Blood; Victors Palace (071-984 1377). U Cass: New London Theatre (071-405 0072). U Les Lieleons Decompositions: Authorised (071-

WORD-WATCHING Auswers from page 24

and future.

KATAKANA

(c) A cut-and-thrast-sword, from the Genevan French dialect espainos: "The Art of Defeace on foot with the bread sword and salve, to which are added remarks on the spadroon."

AAI ABANA

(c) One of the two varieties of Japanese syllable writing, the characters of which are more angular than the hinggam, derived from abbreviated forms of Chinese ideographs of the corresponding sounds, and used chiefly in scientific and offical documents. SCHLICH

(a) The finer portions of crushed ore, separated by water, from the Old Textonic slic mud: "Water is made to flow over schich spread on a CORPOSANT (a) St Elmo's fire, an electrical discharge forming a glow about a mast-kend, from the Latin corpus sanctum holy body: "While baleful

Tritons to the shipwrack guide,/And curpo-sents along the tacklings slide."

WINNING MOVE By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent



Today's position is from the game Forbes (White) —
Milligan (Black), Blackpool
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conclude the struggle
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10.00 News and weather followed by The Pink Parither Show 10.25 Playdeys 10.50 Cricket: First Test. Live coverage from Trent Bridge of the opening session of the second day's play in the game between England and New Zealand, introduced by Tony Lewis. Includes news and weather at 10.55 and 12.00. 12.55 Regional news and

1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip Hayton. Weather 1.30 Neighbours.

coverage of the second day's play at Trent Bndge 2.20 Film: Carry On Cowboy (1966).

get is a sanitary engineer armed with a plunger. The film marked a change in style for the Carry On team but is shill full of the usual dreadful purs and double entendres, only this time delivered in an American accent. Directed by Gerald Thomas 3.50 The New Yogi Bear Show 3.55 A Bear Behind. (r) 4.10 Around the World with Willy Fog (r) 4.35 Eyespy. The grand final of the

Children's comedy series from Down

sons and Moira Stuart. Weather 6.30 Regional News Magazines.

> Resistance humour starring Gorden Kaye as the hapless René tonight being persuaded by Michelle to hide 1,000 kilos of stolen explosives (f).

Passable Western series, which recycles

demanding parents who have come

make that freedom secure. Helena Bonham-Carter gives a quietly effective performance as the young Beatrix

7.15 What the Papers Say. Anne

which begins tonight
7.30 Friday Report: The Max Factor.

to depend on her. On another, it charts her love for nature and drawing which translated into the books was to

and also supplies the off-screen voice of the diarist. Wales: Step Up to Wordpower 6.50 When in France

Robinson examines the Press coverage of the lead-up to the World Cup.

Maxwell Hutchinson, president of the Royal Institute of British Architects,

shows Martin Delahaye what he teels

are the best and worst designed buildings in the south-east (r). Wales:

Tinniswood Country; Northern Ireland:

Newcastle: Asbestos - The Burden of

the Past; Manchester: A Man, a Dog,

a Horse and a Boat; Southampton and

Bristol: A Summer Journey; Plymouth: Floggin' a Dead Horse 8.00 Public Eye: Adoption From Abroad.

An investigation into the process of

Catch of the Day; East: One Summer

at Snape; Midlands: The Forgotten Massacre; Leeds: Coastal Fishing;

Wales in Westminster; Scotland:

all the old plots. Ethan (Lee Horsley) manages to convince the ranchers to fight a wealthy and underhand inessman who tries to force them to owe up their land and water rights. But the businessman has an ace up his aleeve - the deadly gunslinger Gideon McKay. (Ceefax) 9,00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn

Lewis. Regional news and weether 9.30 South of the Border, Entertaining private detective series featuring Pearl and Finn, the Cagney and Lacey of south London. Told to drop a missing girl case before they have even found the girl, you can bet that they press on regardless. (Ceefax) 10.20 World Cup Grandstand. The BBC

launches its tootball overkill with highlights from the opening ceremony and the game between Argentina, the holders, and Cameroon in Milan 11.10 Film: Impasse (1968). Burt Reynolds and his soldier friends set out to look for

Richard Benedict 12.45am Cricket: First Test. Highlights of the second day's play in the game at Trent Bridge between England and

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6.00 TV-am 9.25 Chain Letters. Word quiz 9.55 Thames News and weather 10.00 Out of This World. Scatty cornedy about a teenage girl with an alien father

10.30 This Morning. Morning magazine series presented by Judy Finnigan and Richard Madeley 12.10 Rainbow. Educational children's

Diodistume (t) 12.30 Frank Bough Goes Home and Away, With more than 11 milion people watching every entertain watching every episode, Home and Away will soon be challenging Neighbours as Britain's favourite Oz soap. Frank Bough goes to Australia to

meet the stars 1.00 News at One with John Suchet. Weather 1.20 Tharnes News and 1.30 Coming of Age. American domestic

comedy about a retired airline pilot and his family 2.00 A Country Practica.

Australian drama set at a community health centre in the outback 2.30 Anything Goes. Paul Barnes and Anthea Turner host a new senes of the lesure show that goes around the country to unearth spare-time filing ideas. They begin by going to Woodhall Spa and Rye 3.00 Connections. Word association game 3.25 Tharnes News and weather 3.30 Sons and Daughte

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4.00 World Cup 90. Hundreds of hours of television tootball kick off in Milan with the opening ceremony of the 1990 World Cup and the game between Maradona's Argentina, who won last time, and Cameroon, who are not expected to win this time but acquitted themselves with distinction eight years ago by going



Claudio Caniggia of Argentina (4.00pm)

home unbeaten. Football haters will be relieved to know that for the first round at least, ITV and BBC are sharing, instead of duplicating, the live coverage of matches so there will be plenty of escape routes. Domestic interest in the tournament begins on Monday when Scotland will be desperate not to come a cropper oesperate not to come a dropper against Costa Rica and England play the Republic of Ireland, trying to average an embarrassing deteat in the European championship two years ago. Both matches are live on ITV. The live coverage of matches after the first coverage or matures after the instructional will be decided then, obviously influenced by which teams make it to the quarter-finals.
7.00 News with Sue Carpenter. Weather

7.15 LWT News and weather 7.30 The \$64,000 Question. Bob

Monkhouse introduces a revival of the opular 1950s quiz show. (Oracle) 8.00 Coronation Street. Northern soap.
It's clear now that the brewery is trying to attract the Pils and Pernod crowd

into the Rovers. (Oracle)
8.30 Surgical Spirit Last episode in the current series of this energetic hospital sitcom starring Nichola McAuliffe as the imperious surgeon Mrs Sabatini

9,00 Island Son: Fathers and Sons. Richard Chamberlain is the cardboard doctor among the palm trees. (Oracle)

10.00 News at Ten with Trevor McDonald and Julia Somerville. Weather 10.35 LWT News and weather 10.40 The London Programme, Trevor Phillips looks at the plans to build a Universal Studios theme park on Rainham Marshes in Essex. Environmentalists have protested that the scheme would destroy the rich variety of wildlife living on the marshes, while others have welcomed the development, which could bring

much-needed jobs into the area and up to five million visitors a year 11.10 Beauty and the Beast. Caremony of Innocence. A modern fairy-tale series about a New York lawyer and the kindly beast who loves and protects her 12.05am We Got It Made. American

comedy series
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starring Will Lyman 1.00 The James Whate Radio Show. The rudest man on television does his best to bait a few more people in his

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2.00 CinemAttractions. Steve March looks at the latest film releases. Followed by News headlines

2.30 Unsolved Mysteries. Today's programme investigates the case of Gus Hoffman, who discrepaged in 1972

Hoffman, who disappeared in 1978. Although three people have been charged with Gus's murder, his body has never been found. 3.30 ice Hockey. Edmonton v the Los

Angeles Kings 4.30 Crusade in Europe (b/w). The Battle

of the Bulge 5.00 ITN Morning News with Anne Leuchars. Ends at 6.00

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2.30 Channel 4 Racing From Epsom. Derek Thompson introduces live coverage of the Kentucky Stakes (2.35); the Sun Life of Canada Stakes (3.05); the Northern Dencer Stakes (3.40); and the Tokyo Trophy (4.10). The race commentator is Graham Goods 4.30 Fifteen-to-One. Another quick-fire

round of this general knowledge quiz some Lucy (b/w). Classic comedy series starring Lucike Ball as the scatter-brained wife of a Cuben bandleader 5.30 A Hundred Acres. Clay Jones explores a small region of the British

countryside 5.45 Masterworks. A look at Henry Raeburn's painting The Rev Robert Walker Sketing from the National Gallery of Scotland, accompanied by contemporary paintings to set the

work in context (r)
6.00 Buzz. Global youth magazine, concerned with people, change and the future. Tonight's edition examines heroes and hero-worshippers 6.30 Star Test. A celebrity is subjected to

a computerized grilling 7.00 Channel 4 News with Nicholas Owen and Zeinab Badawi. Weather

7.55 Book Choice. Andrew Graham-Doxon reviews David Sweetman's biography of Vincent Van Gogh — The Love of Many Things. (Oracle)



The residents of cardboard city (8.00pm)

8.00 Short Stories: Street Doctors.

• If the title had not been used elsewhere, you could call it a very peculiar practice. Or at least a very unusual one. Eight doctors and six medical students, most of them from Oxford University, have set up a centre in Maida Vale to offer their services to the London homeless. Each Wednesday a mobile surgery attends the inhabitants of cardboard city under Waterloo Bridge, tending ailments and hearing troubles. But the experiment goes beyond an idealistic urge to help the unfortunate. The medics not only work together but live together and are committed to a

philosophy of care in which each patient takes on the fascination of a character in a novel. The only pity is the director, Giles Herdman, does not give his material more of a narrative shape. We are left with a series of incidents, often rather haphazardly linked

Snoddy. This week The Times cartoonist Mel Celman investigates the state of the political cartoon; The Sun is taken to task for saying that the disease from which Elizabeth Taylor is suffering is similar to Aids; and there is a took at the risks taken by Press photographers

(Oracle)
10.00 Roseanne. Hoseanne Barr stars as the wisecracking housewife in the hit comedy. Tonight, Roseanne meets a

have a heart-to-heart with her daughter, Becky 10.30 Vic Reeves Big Night Out. Caddish Vic Reeves is joined by his sidekick Bob Mortimer and he meets a man who

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4.07 Press Review 4.52 Financial News 4.55
Weather and Travel News

6.55am News and Weather 7.00 Morning Concert: Purceil (Now Does the Glorious Day Appear: Soloists, King's Consort under Robert King)

7.30 News 7.35 Morning Concert (cont): Bach (English Suite No 3 in G minor, (English Suite No 3 in G in BWV 808: Andres Schiff, piano): Vaughan Williams (Surte: Bournemouth Sintometta under Del Mar). interspersed with: Delius (Twilight Fancies: RPO under Eric Fenby); and Starrford (The Bluebird: Cambridge Singers under John Rutter)

8.30 News 8.35 Composers of the Week: J.C. Bech. Overture No 6 in G J.C. Bach. Overfure No o m C (Academy of Ancient Music under Hogwood); Quintet in D. Op 22 No 1 (English Concert); Sinfonia concertante in E flat (Collegium Aureum) 9.35 Alf Else Is Folly . . . (FM only from 10.55); C.P.E. Bach (12 Variations on La Folia: Robert Modelley harpsichord); Liszt,

Stott, piano); Fauré (Masques et Bergamasques: Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields under Neville Marriner); Corelli (Sonsta, Op 5 No 12: Frans Brüggen, recorder, Anna Bylsma, beroque cello, Gustav Leonhardt, harpsichord); Bach (Cantata No 212: "Peasani"; Soloists; Linde Consort under Linde); Warlock (Capriol Suite: Guildfiell String Ensemble); Rachmaninov (Corelli Variations, Op 42: Vladimir Ashkenazy); Offenbach (Overture, "Orpheus in the Underworld": Berlin PO under von Karajan)

Underworld": Berlin PO under von Karajan)

10.55-6.30pm Test Match Special (MW only): England v New Zeeland. The First Comhill Test. The second day's play at Trent Bridge 1.05pm News 1.10 Call the Commentators 1.30 County Scoreboard 1.40-6.30 Commentary, incl 3.45 Ralph Dellor's Minor Counties Review 12.00 Gunter Wand Conducts

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Bruckner (FM only):
Symphony No 6 in A (North
German RSO)
1.00 Manchester Summer Recitals
(FM only): Arienski Ensemble
performs Bach, arr Mozart
(Adago and Fugue in F):
Britten (Phantasy in F minor);
Dvořák (String Quantet in E
ffal, Op 97)

RADIO 1

RSO under Leitner performs
Divertimento in D, K 251;
Concerts for flute, harp and
orchestra, K 299
3.00 Schubert and Schoenberg 3.00 Schubert and Schoenberg
Songs (FM only) performed by
Roland Hermann, baritone,
Geotfrey Parsons, pano (r)
3.45 Mining the Archive (FM only):
A recital from the 1965
Aldeburgh Festival given by
Britten and Rostropovich.
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Britten and Rostropovich.
Britten (Cello Suite No 1, Op
72 — first performance);
Janáček (Pohadka): Britten
talks about his teacher Frank
Bridge; Bridge (Cello Sonata);
Schubert (Arpeggione Sonata)
5.25 Strauss (FM only): Suisse
Romande Orchestra under

Romande Orchestra under Armin Jorden performs Freundliche Vision; Zueignung; Morgen; Wattz. Sequence No 2 "Der Rosenkavalier", Act 3 5.45 Meaning in the Blues (FM only): Final programme. Paul Ofiver discusses the changing face of blues in the 1960s 6.55 The Morke (FM only until 6.30) 6.15 The Works (FM only until 6.30) 7.05 Third Ear: Architect Colin

7.05 Third Ear. Architect Columbia St John Wilson talks to Professor Joe Mordaunt Crook of London University about the designs for the completion phase of the new British Library, announced this week 7.30 The Friday Play: Epsom Downs. Downs.

Howard Brenton's outrageously sociological evocation of the annual Derby

evocation of the annual Detto) Day extravaganza is part Breughet, part Bosch. But, vitality-wise, it is all Brenton. Everyone and everything has a worker transfer. a voice: jockeys, trainers, owners, punters, wayside evangelists, gypsies, the blue blooded and the red-nosed. cooped and the recruised.

Even the horses and the
Derby course itself are
allowed to say their piece.

And there's the ghost of Emily
Desiron, the sufframents Davison, the suffragette mertyr, stall haunting Tattenham Corner. Originally a stage play without songs, Epsom Downs is now a brilliant radio happening with songs — too many, perhaps? — by Nick and Torny Bicat 9.20 BBC SO under Ronald Zoliman performs. Stravinsky

(workes sas); Goent (Intel Pieces "Arden Must Die"); Stravnsky (Symphony in Three Movements)
11.00 Composers of the Week:

RADIO 4

LW (s) Stereo on FM
5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00
News Briefing; Weather 6.10
Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for
the Day (s) 6.30 Today: Sue
MacGregor reports from
Moscow on the Prime
Minister's visit. With Peter
Hobday and John Humphrys
in London, incl 6.30, 7.00,
7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 6.55,
7.55 Weather 8.35 Yesteday
in Parliament 8.57 Weather
9.00 News 9.00 News 9.05 Desert Island Discs: Sue

Lawley with Ken Dodd (s) (r)
9.45 The Cartoonists II: Alex. The
third of six programmes in
which Frank Whittord talks to

which Frank Whitlord talks to cartoonists about the art of humour (s)

10.00 News; Special Assignment 10.30 Morning Story: The Skinflinh, by Gerard McCreesh. Read by Michael McKnight

10.45 Daily Service (s)

11.00 News; Analysis: Euro Blues. David Walker assesses the Conservative Party's views of Britain's future in the EC (r)

11.47 Treasure Island: Michael Rosen presents the chadren's book programme. New nature and wildlife books are reviewed by naturalist Tony Soper and broadcaster Jamice Long

Long
12.00 News; You and Yours
12.5pm The Food Programme: in
the final programme in the
present senes, Derek Cooper present series, Derek Cooper and guests discuss the outstanding tood issues of the last year 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One

1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping 2.00 News; Woman's Hour: Ruth Wishart introduces the programme from Glasgow. programme from Glasgow. Includes a discussion on the differences between Canadia and British attitudes to child sexual abuse; an interview with Helen Liddell, the forme with Heien Clober, the forms general secretary of the Labour Party in Scotland, whose political novel Eitle is published next week; a visit to the two mhabitants of inchcolm Island; and a preview of the European Special Observers for the mentally

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Olympics for the mentally
handicapped
3.00 News; Classic Serial: Far from
the Medicing Crowd.
Gathering in: Last of a six-part
dramatization of Thomas
Harriv's rouel (et)

and guests review the week's

evenīs 4,30 Kaleidoscope: Includes a review of *Gasping* at the Haymarket Theatre; James Birch reports on the Kiev British Festival; and David Hepworth listens to Madonna's new album

Breathless (s) (r)
5.00 PM with Frances Coverdals
and Robert Williams 5.50
Shipping Forecast 5.55 6.00 Six O'Clock News; Financial

Report
6.30 Going Places: Peter Hobday
with travel and transport new

7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Pick of the Week with
Mergaret Howard (s)
8.05 Any Questions?: Jonathan Dimbleby in Birmingham, with panellists including John Smith, MP, Shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer, Nima
Temple, general secretary of
the Communist Party of Great
Britain; Michael Howard, MP,
Secretary of State for
Employment; and writer and
broadcaster Anthony
Samenon

Sampson 8.50 Stop Press: Andrew Marr reviews the week's

8.30 Stop Press. Author
newspapers
9.15 Kaledoscope: The Making of
the "Voxen". A report on the
build-up to Simon Rattle's
Royal Opera House debut last
right, conducting Janacek's
opera The Currang Little
Vixen (s)
9.45 Latter from America by Alistair
Cooke 9.59 Weather
10.00 The World Tonight (s)
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: An
Indiscretion in the Life of an
Heiress, by Thomas Hardy (7
and 8)
11.00 Week Ending: Satincal review
of the week's news, Wifth Bill
Walts, David Tate, Peter
Whitman and Salfy Grace (s)
11.25 The Financial Week with
Vincent Duggleby
14.65 Tester in Bertlement

Vincent Duggleby 11.45 Today in Parliament 12.00-12.30am News, incl 12.20 Weather 12.33 Smpping

FM as LW except: 11.00am-12.00 For Schools (s) 1.55pm Listening Corner (s) 2.05-3.00 For Schools (s) 5.50-5.55 PM (cont) 12.30-1.10am Night School FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m;1089kHz/275m,FM-97.6-99.8. (London area FM-104.8.) Radio 2: 693kHz/433m;909kHz/330m;FM-98-90.2. Radio 3: 1215kHz/247m; FM-90-92.4. Radio 4: 198kHz/1515m;FM-92.4-94.6. Jazz FM 102.2. LBC: 1152kHz/261m; FM 97.3. Capital: 1548kHz/194m; FM 95.8. GLR: 1458kHz/206m; FM 94.9; World Service: MW 648kHz/463m.

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Starring Urbano Barbarini and Oliver Reed, with a suitable cameo valian role for Jack THE SPORTS CHANNEL

9.30am Left, Right and Centre 10.00 Living New 11.00 American Business Today 11.30 European Business Today 12.00 First Edwar 1.00pm Living New 1.30 The Countryside Show 2.00 West of Moscow 2.45 Bizzard's Outdoor Toys 3.00 Living New 4.00 Your World 5.00 Lack's Game 5.30 The Countryside Show 6.00 Front of House 6.30 Go for Green 7.00 Living New 8.00 First Edman 9.00 Your World 10.00 European Business Today 10.30 It's a Wrapt 11.30 Go for Green 12.00

8.30 Hard News presented by Ray

9.00 Cheers. Compeling American comedy set in a Boston bar. (Oracle) 9.30 Loads More Muck and Magic. Organic gardening series presented by Alan Gear and Bob Sherman.

wall of silence when she attempts to

burns vital documents
11.00 Film: Trial Run (1984). Gripping
feminist thrifter starring Annie Whittle as
a nature photographer who has to endure an increasing reign of terror while staying in an isolated cottage in New Zeeland. Full of suspense but spoilt by a weak ending. Directed by

12.40am Buzz. See 6.00

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As London except: 1.20pm TSW News 1.30 The Sullivens 2.00-2.30 Short Story Theatre 3.27-4.00 Who's the Boss? 7.15-7.30 TSW Today 10.35 Presoner: Cel Block H 11.35-1.00am Fam: The Day the Earth Moved 2.00 Fam. The Strange Vengeance of Rossie 4.00-5.00 Night Beal.

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As London except: 1.20pm Calendar News 1.30 Fâm: Information Received* 3.30-4.00 The Young Doctors 7.15-7.30 Calendar 10.35 Fâm: Paly Misty for Me 12.30-1.00am A HoBywood Affair 2.00 Jaike and the Fat Man 3.00 Jean Milchel Jarre 4.00 Insight 4.30-5.00 California Highways **NETWORK 2** Nam 3 00 Jean Michel Jame 4.00 Insight
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WATCH **ARGENTINA PLAY CAMEROON**

TODAY ON ITV AT 4PM

IN ASSOCIATION WITH

BBC 1

delights of bird watching presented by Tony Soper (r)

1.50 Cricket: First Test. Further live Spool Western starring Sid James, Kenneth Williams and the other Carry On regulars. Stodge City is a lawless and crime-filled town, run by the ruthless Rumpo Kid. They need a

man to clean up the town. What they

BBC 2

community in south-west France is

coping with modern problems 9.25

10.05 Putting friendship to the test

10.25 Computer capabilities 10.45

Technology and traditional crafts 11.25 German tor beginners 11.40

Microcomputing 11.55 A-level German

12.15 How young police officers see

their relationship with today's youth 12.45 James Watson's Talking in Whispers 1.20 Aesop's The Town

Mouse and the Country Mouse 1.25

2.00 News and weather followed by You and Me (r) 2.15 Weekend Outlook.

Open University preview (r)
2.20 Cricket: First Test. The afternoon

6.25 Beatrix: The Early Life of Beatrix

Potter.

Fireman Sam 1.40 The use of language

session of the second day's play in the

game at Trent Bridge between England and New Zeeland. Includes news and weather at 3.00 and 3.50

Billed as that often controversial

out to be more documentary than

drama. Concentrating on the long

summer holidays in Scotland which

fame as a children's writer, it

formed the apprenticeship for her later

intersperses a narrative performed by

Potter's diaries and contributions from

The result is that the artifice of caressing

actors with voice-over extracts from

her modern biographer, Judy Taylor.

landscape to the accompaniment of

counterpointed by the subject's own thoughts and feelings. On one level

is it the story of an only child trying to

the camera over rolling Scottish

Elgarian-type music is firmly

hybrid, the drama-documentary, Mike

Healey's restrospective of Potter's life between the ages of 12 and 30 turns

Part five of Noah's Ark 11.00

Mindstretcher solutions 11.45

A portrait of a Siberian new town dweller 9.45 Lignite in Northern Ireland

6.45 Open University: Organic Molecules

8.00 News 8.15 Westminster 9.00 Daytime on Two: how a farming

competition is between the AGM Aces from Allerton Grange Middle School in Leeds and the Jammers from Thurstable School in Tipure, Essex 5.00 Newsround 5.10 Round the Twist.

Under. (Ceefax)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax). Northern treland: Sportswide 5.40 Inside Ulster 6.00 Six O'Clock News with Peter

Northern Ireland: Neighbours
7.00 Wogan. Terry's guests are Carol
Channing, Amanda Donohoe and, with a
song, the Pretenders
7.45 'Allo 'Allol More phoney-accented

(Ceefax) 8.10 Paradise: A Matter of Honour.

the gold they hid from the Japanese during the Second World War. A competently made actioner, mainly of interest to Reynolds tans. Directed by

1.15 Weather adopting from abroad revealing how confusion in the system is leading

> 8.30 Gardeners' World. Gillian Richardson shows how year-round colour and tollage can be achieved and, with the onset of dry weather, Geoff Hamilton looks at pla can survive and conditions. (Ceelax)
> 9.00 Naked Video. Award-winning Scottish comedy senes, featuring Lederer, Gregor Fisher, John Sparkes and Jonathan Watson (r).

frustrated couples to circumvent the

Ceefax) 9.30 BBC Design Awards 1990.

Products. Sar Terence Contain leads the panel of judges who must decide the five finalists from the 275 entries 10.10 Badger Night. The hidden cameras continue to scrutinize badgers in their natural environment, while Jessica Holm and Sally Magnusson explore ways of halting their decline 10.30 Newsnight 11.15 Weather Helena Bonham-Carter as Beatrix (6.25pm)

11.20 Animation from Prague. Down in the Cellar — Jan Svankmajer's surreal feature combining live action with animation 11.35 Film: Seventh Day, Eighth Night

(1969, b/w)

As good as anything in the BBC2
Czech season has been the selection of films. The inclusion of Forman's Amedeus was perhaps departing too far from the brief, even if it was shot in Prague, but the cinema of the short-lived New Wave of the 1960s has been richly represented. And among wellknown titles such The Firemen's Ball and Closely Observed Trains have been others that speak no less eloquently athers that speak to less excuteriny about the brief treedom of film-maken during the aborted Prague Spring. Evald Schorm's Seventh Day, Eighth Night was made in 1969, the year political satire and Kafkaesque

after the Soviet tanks rolled in, and was not surprisingly suppressed by the post-Dubcek regime. With elements of nightmare, suffused with irony, it charts the panic overtaking a Czech village when people disappear, the trains and telephones stop and there are rumours of an invasion. Ends at 1.20am

performs Stravmsky (Vanations, Aldous Huxley in memoriam); Marwell Davies (Worldes Biss); Goehr (Three

Chopin (r)
12.00 News 12.05am Close Frank Bough This Week 1.30 Newsline 2.30
The Reporters 3.30 Frank Bough This Week
4.30 Beyond 2000

5.00am As Sky One 8.30 World Cup Special 9.00 Trans World Sport 10.00 Motor Sport 11.00 Eurosport Live. Tennis French Open; World Cup Welcome: Live coverage of the opening ceremony in Italy; Football, Argentina v Cameroon, Group B 7.00pm Tennis 9.00 Football 11.00 Formula 1 Motor Racing 11.30 Backetball 12.00 Tennis 1.30am Motor Racing 2.00 Tennis

10.00am Everyday Workout 10.30 Search

for Tomorrow 10.55 Coffee Break 11.00 Work with Yan 11.25 Short Cests 11.30 The Edge of Night 12.00 Salty Jessy Raphael 12.50pm Star Time 12.55 Great America 12.50pm Star Time 12.55 Great American Gameshows 2.00 Divorce Court 2.30 Burke's Law 3.20 Lifestyle Plus 3.30 The Emergency Room 3.50 Hollywood Internew 4.05 Soarch for Tomorrow 4.35 Tea Break 4.45 Great American Gameshows 6.00 The Sell-e-Vision Shopping Channel BSB: THE MOVIE CHANNEL

drama. An informer infiliates a secret society of linsh mineworkers in 1870s. Pennsylvania Starring Seen Connery and Debugs themas Pansylvania Siamong
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Richard Harris
5.30 The Movie Show
6.00 Big Jim McClain (1952, b/w): John
Weyne stars as the government agent on a
mission to hunt down suspected

— Mawaii. Co-stars Nancy Olson 8.00 Gor: Fantasy adventure about a mild-

7.00am Superfriends 7.30 Mix-It 8.30 31 West: The Entertainment Show 9.00 Beweiched 9.30 Laughtines 10.00 Jupiter Moon 10.30 The Move Show 11.00 Playabout 11.15 Mrs Pepperpot 11.30 Facts of Life 12.00 Write of the Week 12.30pm The Bold and the Besuthul 1.00 Till Death Us Do Part 1.30 Barnaby Jones 2.30 The Young and the Restless 3.30 Playabout 3.45 Mrs Pepperpot 4.00 Danger Bay 4.30 Kds Incorporated 5.00 Mrs. 16.00 31 West 6.30 Jupiter Moon 7.00 The Goodies 7.30 Laughtines 8.00 Secret Army 9.00 Up Yer News 9.15 La Triviata 10.00 Dad's Army 10.30 Dirty Dozan 11.30 The Mone Show 12.00 The Bold and the Beautiful 12.30am

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Variations on La Folia: Robert Woolley, harpsichord); Liszi, arr Busoni (Rhapsodie espagnola: Philharmonia under Pritchard); Nielsen (Maskarade: Swedish RSO under Salonen); Debussy (Suita bergamasque: Kaithyn Stott, piano); Fauré (Masques et Bergamasques: Academy

From 8.00am The Shooping Channel 2.00pm Norma Rea (1979): Sally Field stars as a woman trying to start a union in a small textile town 4.00 Watership Down (1978): Animated 4.00 Wetership Down (1978): Animated tantasy about rabbits on the run. With the voices of John Hurt, Richard Briers and Raigh Richardson (1966): A 12-year-old boy (Joey Cramer) is abducted by aleas, and returns eight years later 7.40 Entertrainment Tonight 8.00 Moving (1988): Richard Pryor stars as a man ettempting to schedule a dramatic move from New Jersey to Ideho 9.40 at the Pictures

SCREENSPORT

7.00am Molor Sport 9.00 TV Sport 9.30
Show Jumping 11.00 Motor Sport 1.00pm
Baschell 3.00 Boring 5.00 Spain Spain
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11.45 Blood Diner (1987). Two brothers
aftempt to resurred on ancient goddess
through human sacrifica. Starring Rick Burks
and Cart Crew
1.30am Trouble in the City of the Angels
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 All films are followed by News and weamer
1.00pm The Movie Show
1.30 Alding Shotgun (1954): The story of a
long-running venderta between a stage-coach guard and an ordew. Staming
Rendolph Scott
3.05 The Molly McGuires (1969): Historical
charms. An informer instittates a secret

mannered professor who is transported to a mythical world where he is haded as a hero.

Palance
10.00 Masquerade (1986): Rob Lowe and
Meg Tify siler in a plotted thrifler in the
Hischcock vein
11.40 Bright Lights, Big Chy A young
journalist grieves after his mother's death
and his wife's desertion. Starring Michael
J. Fox and Kiefer Sutherland
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Checks on riot role of inmates' group By QUENTIN COWDRY

JAIL staff have been asked to gather information about a prisoners' group which, prison officers believe, has planned several prison disturbances, the Home Office said yes-

An investigation conducted by BBC Radio's File on Four programme claims the socalled Prisoners League Association (PLA) is a growing force in Britain's jails and was involved in planning the riot at Manchester's Strangeways prison. It cites entries from the diary from the association's self-styled "chief of staff" who was in Strangeways' punishment block a few weeks before the riot began - with several inmates who played a leading part in the disturbance.

On the programme, to be broadcast tonight, Mr Ivor Serle, chairman of the Prison Officers' Association's Manchester branch, says the 25-day siege may have been averted had the PLA, which campaigns for improved conditions, been listened to by management

The Home Office said the PLA had been monitored over the past few years but a spokesman added: "It is a small organization and we have no reason to believe that it has been responsible for masterminding any disturbance in the prison system". Staff had been asked to pass on information about the group but the data received so far had been "scant".

Mr Adam Sampson of the Prison Reform Trust claimed the PLA did exist but said its influence had been exaggerated. It largely revolved around just a few "politicized" prisoners.

● Mr Brendan O'Friel, aged 49, governor of Strangeways prison, has been promoted. He is to become an assistant director in the Prison Service - a post created under a reorganization of the top-level administration of the service.

He will become responsible for a group of prisons, report-ing directly to the deputy director general of the service. It is understood the area he will be appointed to has not yet been determined.

His appointment was confirmed yesterday, four days before Lord Justice Woolf's inquiry into the Strangeways not begins taking evidence in public in Manchester. Mr O'Friel will be a key witness at the inquiry, which will last at least three weeks. He had appeared before a promotion board before the Strangeways riot two months ago.



The statue of J. B. Priestley, the Bradford-born novelist, provided the backdrop yesterday for the launch in the city of the South Asian Dance Festival by members of the Bhanan Centre, London. Mr Prakash Yadagadde and Kumari Nina (left) led a parade through several areas of Bradford

Disappearance of badgers sets puzzle for naturalists

A small three-inch long

A PIONEERING wildlife tele- hardly any this year. vision unit has obtained unparalleled footage of badgers in a century-old sett in the Essex countryside. But the success of the television series, believed to be the first live colour television broadcast of badgers, has prompted naturalists to puzzle over the mysterious disappearance of

badgers from the sett and from

several others in the area. In a series of three live broadcasts, the last of which is scheduled for this evening, the **BBC Bristol Natural History** Unit has used new high technology equipment to video a large family of badgers at a sett in a secret location in Essex.

The badgers, which have been gradually accustomed over the last few weeks to the television lights and the scent of the cameramen, emerged as if on cue to feed in time for the first 20-minute broadcast on Wednesday night. Mr Don Hunford, retired

scientist and chairman of the Essex Naturalists' Trust, has been monitoring the one-acre sett for more than 30 years. Up to 25 badgers, many of which know him and will take food from his hand, live in the sett at any one time. A community of that size could expect to have up to 10 males but Mr Hunford has seen

remotely-controlled pencil camera is the innovation that "It could have something to has made possible the close-up do with the weather, or it shots of a badger's snout could be a result of territorial snuffling towards the camera. fighting," he said.

The badgers have been per-He said four female badgers suaded to arrive "on set" at had produced eight cubs this the correct time each night year, compared with none last with morsels of peanuts and year and one the year before, wholemeal bread, although indicating the community was healthy. He has known some their favourite snack has proved to be digestive badgers to live more than 10 vears but the sett incurs heavy casualties from nearby road

Assistant producer Mr Robin Prytherch said: "We knew that if we trod carefully, we would get the co-operation of the badgers. The extraor-dinary thing is that the badgers seem to come and go as if there were no lighting."

The programme takes place gainst a background in which the badger, a protected species, is in serious decline. Many thousands are believed to be killed each year by badger-baiting. In Essex, one third of the setts have disappeared since the early 60sand half of the remaining setts had no badgers in. according to a recent survey. in the House of Commons, a private member's bill is being debated which could give them more protection by making it illegal to destroy their setts for development. Badger Night, The Solutions? BBC2 tonight, 10.10pm

Thatcher's new vision of Nato

Continued from page 1 elopment of the 35-Nation Conference for Security and Co-operation in Europe CSCE) as the main forum to build trust and confidence between East and West.

The speech marked Mrs Thatcher's own transition from the Iron Lady phase as she declared: "The countries of Eastern Europe are reaching out to the West. We no longer think of them as potential enemies or as part of a wider threat to our way of life. They are friends in need of help, wanting to return to their rightful place in Europe.'

She added: "The world is changing faster than our ways of thinking. We need to be more imaginative and work on a bigger canvas.

For President Gorbachov, who she meets for four hours of talks today, and for his military high command, whom she will see this afternoon, there was reassurance that her insistence on Nato's continued existence should not be seen as a threat.

The speech was clearly designed to counter the claims of L like Mı Gorbachov, that in the face of the crumbling Warsaw Pact military alliances were no longer required. She declared in characteris-

tic terms: "You don't cancel missed the party's past oppo- home owners, they should be portray it as ac your home insurance policy sition to policies giving helped just as willingly as to-buy policies.

fewer burglaries in your street in the last 12 months."

Calling Nato the most successful alliance in history, which had "deterred war without ever having to fight a war Mrs Thatcher said: "We are probably more secure than we have ever been." But secure defence had to be maintained and that required forces and weapons, not just fine words. Greater emphasis on Nato's political role and on activities

such as arms control and verification "should make it easier for the Soviet Union to come to terms with Nato's continued existence and German membership of it". The CSCE, which could

never be a substitute for Nato, could be built up as a body in which political and security issues affecting Europe as a whole could be discussed.

Political sketch

How the stand-in was stumped

"In view of the link between listeria and French brie cheese," asked James Couchman (C, Gillingham), "the hallucinatory effect of French wine, the carcinogenic effect of Perrier, and the transmissibility of mad frogs' disease, will the Leader of the House make contingency plans to impose a ban on all French

products?" Sir Geoffrey chuckled. Ho ho! Why, standing in for the PM while she was away was rather fun! A doddle, really. He had an answer ready about the EC settlement, but did not wish to appear

humourless. He turned to

colleagues with an indulgent

smile, before reading his brief. They loved it. "Hear, hear!" shouted Tories, as Sir Geoffrey told them the news from Brussels. PM's Ouestions had got off to a smash-

ing start. And he had felt so nervous beforehand! It had been hard to sleep, last night. What if they should bowl him a googly? What if he should stumble over his notes, or get the pages muddled? What if a Tory backbencher should try to stab him in the back? She always seemed so cool at the Dispatch Box - always ready with the facts. How she would sneer if she returned from Moscow to be told the old boy had muffed it. He could hear her now. "Geoffrey - we just leave you to look after the shop for one afternoon,

and things go wrong. Really!

Must we do everything ourselves?" Still, Kinnock would be away. His deputy, spluttering Roy Hattersley, would face Howe. No problem, surely? Geoffrey rose early, washed carefully behind his ears, and chose his best wool suit, in mid-grey. Elspeth returned from spending the night in a box ("silly old girl," he thought, "still, good to have a family with minds of their own") in time to iron his best white shirt, and select a blue tie with white spots. Perfect. Lady Howe checked his fingernails and off he went. He was at Westminster far too early. Still, plenty of time to re-read the reams of "defensive briefing" the PM's people had given him, to prepare him for anything MPs threw. CONTIN-

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have to put up taxes.
"Good stuff!" he exclaimed. "Must remember CONTINGENCY: Backbenchers press for commit-

ment to reduce tax rates. RESPONSE: Remind House that governments cannot fore-cast Budget decisions.
"Quite," thought Geoffrey. "Best to play safe. I know. Been Chancellor myself."

The great contest at 3.15 drew near: but "Look confident!" he thought. So he waited till 3.12, than sauntered in. "One up on the PM. there! She's always hours early," he had smiled.
And now it was all going so

well. He felt ready for any thing. Come on then, Roy, let's be having you . . .

Hattersley rose ponderously to his feet. "Would the Leader of the House tell us what will be the standard rate of income tax after the next Budget?" Geoffrey blinked. What a

stupid question! This was almost too easy. He remembered the answer in his brief "can't anticipate, etc . . ." - but why play a long-hop with a straight bat? Hit it for six! For the first time in years he felt a rush of excitemen

Of anything he'd heard, he said "that passes all records for stupidity". Wild cheers from his mates. What fun!

But why was Hattersley nodding? Anxiety clouded Howe's chubby features. His foe rose, smiling.

Yes, agreed Hattersley, it was a stupid question. "Even more stupid than you made out. So will you tell the Tory Chairman to stop asking for predictions of the level of tax government."

Labour roared with triumph. He had handed them a quote ("passes all records for stupidity") to trump the Tories every time they called on the Opposition to cost its policies.

Sir Geoffrey never recovered. In Moscow, Mrs Thatcher was smiling at the news, "Now they know. Labour does better without Kinnock. And the Tories can't do without me."

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Labour embraces home ownership

By RICHARD FORD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

GENCY: Labour trumpet their generosity, said a note.

Gould admitted there was no special merit in public sector housing. Mr Gould, Labour's

environment spokesman, dis-

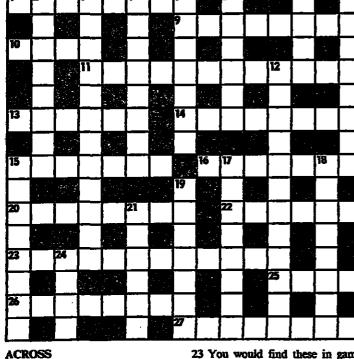
home ownership was sealed to buy their homes. The tenants. yesterday when Mr Bryan party's previous preoccupation with the need to provide social housing had blinded Labour to people's desire for

home ownership. If people wanted to become with council estates and to

LABOUR'S acceptance of council house tenants the right those who wanted to remain Mr Gould, speaking to the

Building Societies Conference, clearly intended to distance Labour from its image as a party solely concerned

THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 18,315



1 Character on the staff of Pea-cock's castle (8). 9 Ditch beside which soldiers are cut down (8).

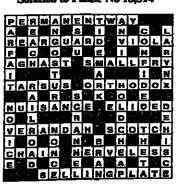
10 Against appearing in Romantic 11 One who painted relatively late in life? (7,5). 13 Respect one coming out of a

brown study (6). 14 Escort takes lea with Argentinian actress (8). 15 Impetuous person has stolen the

Crown! (7). 16 One of several allowed to go on an excursion (7). 20 Inferior writer rejected an order from the court (8).

22 Ignominious failure obtained if returning with course uncompleted (6).

Solution to Puzzle No 18,314



23 You would find these in gambling clubs, for instance (7-5). 25 House acquired originally by unknown deception (4).

26 His nominees are thus returned in suitable circumstances (8). Southern dancer and erotic entertainer (8).

2 A stock-farmer managed her business externally (8). 3 Impetuous — liable to do anything like a shot? (7-5).

Woman seen outside a bar before a dance (8). 5 Run down by traffic outside University College's entrance?

6 Social grades upset loose woman in South Africa (6). 7 Responsibility concerning the present compiler and solver (4).
8 A case supported by teachers?

It's an old joke (12).

12 Potter's art? (3-9). 15 See hippo running wild as a water carrier (4-4).

17 Eg Cranmer's advert seen

around most of Rome, perhaps? 18 Many a vessel in the river is mine (8).

Cavalrymen's quadrille (7). 21 This man makes the King retreat (6). 24 A long time, with or without capital (4).

Concise Crossword, page 17

WORD-WATCHING By Philip Howard SPADROON

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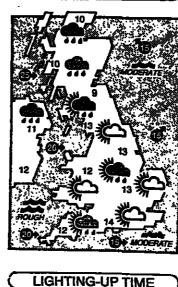
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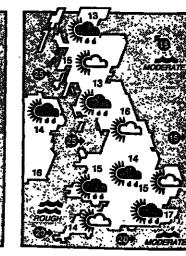
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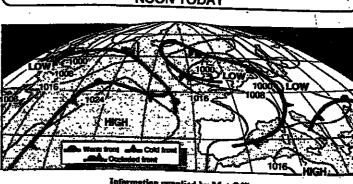


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BUSINESS

David Brewerton

FRIDAY JUNE 8 1990

Lloyd's chief to step down next year MR MURRAY Lawrence, chairman of Lloyd's of Lloyden is to standard in the standard in

London, is to stand down as chairman next year. A Lloyd's statement said its council would propose Mr David Coleridge, chairman of Lloyd's underwriters Sturge Holdings for election as his Holdings, for election as his

For the past eight years, Mr Lawrence has served as deputy chairman or chairman. Investment plans fall to new low

Investment intentions in the retail, wholesale and motor trades last month fell to an alltime low as the government's counter-inflationary squeeze forced firms to look for new economies, according to the latest Confederation of British Industry survey.

Pilkington slips

Pilkington, the glassmaker, struggled against tough conditions in most of its leading markets to produce pre-tax profits just 3 per cent down at £314 million in the year to end-March.

The group is paying a second interim payment of 7.57p, making a total for the year of 10.5p, a rise of 10.5 per cent gainst the previous year.Earnings per share, at 25p, fell 8 per cent.

Tempus, page 27 Johnson's cuts More than 1,500 jobs are going at Johnson's, the ceramic tiles company, about 1,000 of them in the UK. Johnson's parent company, Norcros, is writing off £13 million in connection with a reorganization of the business The provisions form the bulk of the £20 million of extraordinary items contained in the Norcros results for the year ended last March. Pretax profits plummeted from £66.9 million to £37.3 million, but

Tempos, page 27 Chairman dies

holding the total at 16p.

the board is paying a final dividend of lip a share,

Mr Edgar Palamountain, the chairman of the Wider Share Ownership Council, died on Tuesday, aged 72. He was a largest unit trust group in the UK. Obituary, page 16

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TOURISTRATES ds Gld

Banks call in receiver at Coloroll

By MARTIN WALLER

owing, there are further

contingent liabilities that

could bring the total as high as

Mr Kenneth Marks, for-

tion but to pull the plug.

COLOROLL, the home supporting banks, led by the furnishings group, collapsed last night, putting 8,500 jobs at risk, after the banks to which it owed more than £140 million called in the receivers.

Mr Nigel Hamilton and Mr Bill Roberts, of Ernst & brought low by its huge cor-Young, the accountant, have porate debts. As well as the the grim task of dismembering £140 million it has admitted the group built up by Mr John Ashcroft, and will attempt to settle with its creditors. It is could bring the thought unlikely that £200 million. shareholders will receive any

Coloroll's demise after a of the group's biggest cuslong and painful struggle was tomers, replaced the flamboysignalled at lunchtime, when ant Mr Ashcroft as chairman the shares were suspended at on his abrupt departure in 6½p "pending clarification of March. Mr Ashcroft had been the company's financial position."

The appointment of Ernst & Minister for his entrepreneur-Young came a couple of hours ial skills. later and was no surprise to the market. The shares peaked at 373p before the market crash, when the company was capitalized at £750 million.

A rescue package being put together by Candover Invest- in that period we kept the ments, the management buyout specialist, would have involved the purchase of Coloroll by a new unquoted company, so diluting existing shareholders' interests. It fell apart at the end of last week, leaving the consortium of

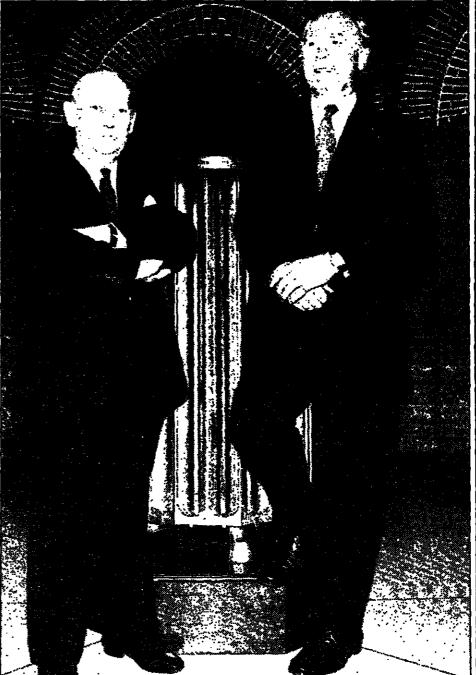
the company could not sur-National Westminster, no opvive in its present form. A spokesman for the bank said of the negotiations with Candover: "The more they looked, the less they liked. There wasn't enough in the Coloroll operates from 19 sites, mainly in the North of England and in Scotland. Analysts believe that large chunks of the business are still company. There are still a number of good, sound businesses which will, I'm sure, find buyers." viable and could find ready buyers, Coloroll having been

The view in the market is that a number of potential buyers have delayed coming forward in the hope that the company would slide into bankruptcy, allowing them to buy at knock-down prices.

merly with Debenhams, one But given the mountain of debt and the worsening trading environment in the home furnishings sector, some analysts doubt whether trading profits are covering interest payments. One said: "It must one of the brightest stars of the 1980s, admired by the Prime have reached that level, because the revenue simply wasn't there. Their stock levels were very high, and what they had to do is sell carpets Mr Marks said last night: "We've had approaches for virtually every part of the and whatever at deep discounts. I think some of the business - except the head office. I've no regret about it accounting policies that Coloroll has used might be seen as slightly optimistic." all because I really believe that

Mr Nicholas Jones, of SG Warburg, its merchant Lazard Brothers, the merbank, had been trying to put a chant bank which was acting rescue package together for for Candover, said: "There were some good businesses in Coloroll since the beginning of the company, and also a large the year, when a warning on profits and possible contingent liabilities made it clear wasn't a structure that fitted." gent liabilities made it clear

Climb helps Boots shine



Better-than-expected results: Robert Gunn (left), the chairman, and Sir James

out for Dunsdale director By Jon Ashworth

Warrant

Executive Editor

A WARRANT has been issued for the arrest of Mr Robert Miller, the director of Dunsdale Securities, the investment firm suspended this week, amid growing fears that up to £20 million in clients' money may be at risk.

The company was placed in provisional liquidation yesterday, at the request of clients who had been unable to either contact Mr Miller or withdraw their money. Mr Raymond Manning, insolvency partner at Stoy Hayward, and Mr Harold Sorsky of Sorsky Defries, the accountant, were

and immediately visited the company's Park Lane offices. Stoy Hayward said that the company had been placed in liquidation on application to the Court by various creditors. It said Mr Hocking had taken possession and control of the company's premises and records and had commenced his investigation into the whereabouts of its assets.

Fraud Squad officers under the direction of the Serious Fraud Office were also at the premises and were working in conjunction with the liquidators.

A private meeting of creditors is due to take place at the firm's offices on Monday. Mr Miller's whereabouts are not known, but he is believed to

Mr Sorsky said that the police had removed certain files and documents from the company's premises and that the liquidators were preparing a list of creditors.

Serious money, page 27

Jobs saved as Prust is closed

business together."

By Neil Bennett BANKING CORRESPONDENT

CCF Laurence Prust, the institutional stockbroker, has been forced to close after its management failed to agree the terms of a buyout with Crédit Commercial de France, its French banking parent. CCF has, however, saved

many of the 80 jobs by negotiating staff transfers: a corporate broking team will join Schroder Securities, while Brown Shipley is negotiating a joint venture with the institutional equity sales staff.

Most of Prust's other employees will be moved into CCF's growing corporate finance and asset management businesses. CCF is also planning to start market-making in French stocks in London. Despite this, the bank estimates that 30 jobs will be lost. Prust, which lost £1 million

last year, had only 0.7 per cent of the City's institutional equity business. Mr Anthony Greayer, head of CCF: London operations, said this was the cause of the manage-

ment buyout's failure.
"Whichever way we looked at it." he said, "a company with this market share was in a very difficult position. The big brokers are putting a lot of money into keeping market share, and we could not see the value in keeping a small distribution business.

The two staff transfer deals contrast with the sudden closure of other stockbroking firms, and will come as a relief to dealers who were expecting to lose their jobs. Under the terms Mr Ed-

ward Cumming-Bruce, the head of corporate broking, will take a team of at least seven to Schroders, hoping to retain many of Prust's 77 corporate

Retailer fails after 50 years

By GILLIAN BOWDITCH

A GOLDBERG, the Scottish retailer, has gone into receivership, threatening at least 1,000 jobs. The group, which has been a quoted company for more than 50 years, called in the receivers after negotiations on a reverse takeover with the Lewis's stores group Fletsand feil through

For the year to March, the group, which includes Wrygges, Schuh and Ted Baker, made a trading loss of £9.6 million, before interest of £1.1 million and provisions for exceptional items. There are debts in excess of

£5 million. Mr Mark Goldberg, the group's chairman and the third generation of his family to run the business, broke the news to the company's employees yesterday. Goldberg shares were suspended in the morning at 37p, valuing the group at £6.3 million.

Goldberg had been struggling for some time, and at the beginning of the year appointed a new chief executive, Mr Adrian Atkinson, who announced plans to close up to half the group's stores and Banks, the designer, was ap-



Mr Goldberg: broke news week the company has been in talks with Fletsand, which holds 25 per cent of the company. Yesterday the board said it was not possible to conclude a deal "despite strenuous efforts to secure additional funding, and to conclude the acquisition on commercial terms that would have safeguarded the future of the enlarged group".

Last year, Goldberg fought off a £32 million paper bid from Blacks Leisure, itself a troubled retailer. The group's main problem stemmed from lay off more than 300 staff. an ambitious expansion pro-Three months ago Mr Jeff gramme in the South at the time of the consumer boom in pointed in an attempt to the mid-1980s, which left it revive the group's fortunes, with expensive commitments but it was too late. For the last on unprofitable shops.

UBS Phillips settles

Retailer improves 16.7% to £358m

By OUR CITY STAFF

ie retau group, pro duced higher-than-expected pre-tax profits of £358 million in the year to March. But the City was disappointed with the results produced by Ward White, which Boots bought for £900 million last August. The Ward White busi-

nesses, including Halfords, Payless and AG Stanley, contributed £39 million in seven months, against analysts' expectations of more than £45 million. Part of the shortfall was due to a switch by Boots to more conservative accounting policies.

The City was also dis-appointed to see that earnings dilution last year was about 10 per cent, and analysts expect a similar level of dilution this year. At the time of the original bid, Sir James Blyth, the chief executive of Boots. said there would be no dilution. However, he said yesterday, that since then the group had increased its offer and there had been a rise in interest rates.

Pre-tax profits for the group rose 16.7 per cent on sales up 25 per cent at £3,38 billion. Earnings per share rose 12.8 per cent to 25.5p and the final dividend is 7.15p, making a total of 11p, up from 10p. Property profits rose 18 per cent to £54.4 million.

The star performer was Boots The Chemist, with better-than-expected profits of £190 million, up 25 per cent. The pharmaceutical division made profits of £111 million, up 16.6 per cent. The group has applied for registration of Manoplax, its heart drug, in Britain and the US. Children's World incurred a £6.4 million loss, the same as last year.

THE Institutional Sharehold- ment terms. The offer is 104p ers' Committee of the Stock per share for shares that would Exchange, which has been have been taken up if there handling compensation nego-tiations arising from the Blue underwriters and 41p for other Arrow affair, announced that shares taken up in the placing. UBS Phillips & Drew, the County NatWest has already broker, had agreed to settle- settled.

Hidden agenda supporting shares at time of corporate woe

Why bad can mean good in the City their books on the second quarter, and To case-hardened professional investors,

By JOHN BELL, CITY EDITOR TO A City type, it may all be perfectly

logical. But to the man on the Clapham omnibus, the sight of shares cruising serenely higher as company after company tells of corporate carnage, is bizarre. Any hitchhiker's guide to the City would have to point out that bad is sometimes good and that good is sometimes bad. To outsiders, though, it may not always be obvious which is when.

The CBI report of rising retail sales may encourage the plain man. To an economist, it means that the signals from commerce are still at amber, and that the Government's efforts to stifle inflationary pressures may need yet more time.

Equally perversely, the death throes of a one-time high-flyer such as Coloroll are, however painful to those directly affected, an inevitable consequence of the correction that must follow when Whitehall loses its grip on the economy.

the profit warnings that now arrive almost daily, the rash of rights issues and the occasional spectacular bust, are all part of the pain that accompanies the troughs of market cycles. The City's hard men invariably dance to an entirely different tune. They have watched institutions allow-

ing their liquidity to stack up to a current 6 per cent of their portfolios. In folding money, that represents close on £25 billion waiting to shift out of safe havens and back into equities. The raw material to fuel share price rises is there aplenty. and there is much more to be mobilized. The alternatives to the UK equity

market are not all that enticing. In the US and continental Europe, market ratings based on earnings multiples are higher, at roughly 14 in the US against an historic 11 in the London. There has also been a technical factor

or two at work. With funds soon to close

reports to trustees and unitholders due soon afterwards, there is no incentive to be more underweight in equities than is necessary. This may not yet have led to a flood of money back into the market, but it has certainly led to a scarcity of sellers. However, the most potent influence

has stemmed from belief that at last the Government has made a serious commitment to early entry into the European exchange rate mechanism. The implications are, in perception at

least, powerful. The prospect of a stable pound at interest rates a good deal lower than would otherwise be demanded by foreign sterling holders, is excellent news for corporate profits and exports, and therefore for markets.

Since financial markets invariably prefer travelling hopefully to the reality of arrival, the buoyant mood should continue at least until Mr Major pronounces afresh on Britain and the ERM.

Second property investor suffers decline

British Land net assets fall

reduction in net asset value.

Mr John Ritblat, the chair-531p to 492p in the year to March, a fall of more than 7 per cent.

Earlier in the week a 3.3 per cent fall in net asset value reported by Great Portland Estates sent shares tumbling. But yesterday the sector showed more resilience.

Although British Land slid 15p to 318p initially, it recovered to close unchanged at 333p. Other leading investment companies gained ground with Great Portland Estates adding 6p to 249p,

By MATTHEW BOND BRITISH Land has become Greycoat 9p higher at 408p, currently. Net rents increased the second property invest-ment company to report a 509p and MEPC up 14p to million.

fell by 10 per cent in the year to March.

That figure compares with the 12 per cent fall reported by Great Portland and a 2.75 per cent reduction reported by Land Securities.

Pre-tax profits fell sharply, down from £69.5 million to £44.8 million.

The interest charge more than trebled to £29.7 million. An additional £2.5 million of interest was capitalized. following the group's cautious time of the abortive view of property development restructuring plan.

At the end of last year, Mr

Mr John Ritblat, the chairman, said British Land's net dent valuers, the value of asset value per share fell from British Land's City properties following opposition from institutional shareholders, which felt his scheme to solit the old British Land into two

new companies was too gen-erous towards the Ritblat family. Mr Ritblat said that the company was still looking at ways of restructuring. A final dividend of 5.25p a share is being paid, a 75 per cent increase over last year's 3p. but that reflects the lack of an interim dividend passed at the



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to £110m at half time

fell from £120 million to £110 million in the six months to end-March. But the international trading group, of which Mr Tiny Rowland is chief executive, said underlying profits from operations had risen by 34 per cent.

Last year, interim profits were boosted by £38 million above the line from the sale of whisky stocks, which co-incided with the sale of the group's spirits and fine wines

A second interim dividend of 5p has been declared. Allowing for a one-for-10 scrip issue, this makes the equivalent of 8.3p so far, up 10 per cent from a year ago. Earnings per share, after a notional tax charge, are 9p, against 11.6p a year ago, which included 4.1p from the whisky sales.

Profits are not broken down at the interim stage, but Mr Paul Spicer, a Lonrho director, said the group's African platinum interests were the dominant factor in profit growth and that other African interests had done well.

In Britain, Lonrho says its manufacturing and motor distribution companies, which include Volkswagen and Audi imports, Jack Barclay and Dutton-Forshaw, were affected by the downturn in the economy. Worldwide, motor trading profits were up, but cturing profits, mainly

LONRHO'S pre-tax profits textiles and steel, were lower Metropole Hotels, the British hotels group, increased profits by 30 per cent, however, thanks to rapid expansion on its four main sites in London, Birmingham, Brighton and Blackpool. The quality market hotels in the Americas had variable results

The group's Scottish news paper interests, principally The Glasgow Herald, increased profits. No mention is made of the Observer, which is thought to have suffered from competition from new entrants in the national Sunday newspaper market. Mr Spicer said newspapers as a whole made a profit.

On the Continent, Lourho's German-based associates Krupp Lonrho and Kühne & Nagel, the freight and forwarding group, also contin-ued to increase profits. Lonrho is putting much of its European effort into further expansion in Germany. Altogether, associates contrib-uted £21 million against £12 million a year ago.

City analysts, who have been forecasting pre-tax prof-its of about £270 million for the full year, found the interim results better than expected. Lonrho makes no forecast But Mr Spicer said that if the platinum price held up, "our mining profits should be terrific." Lonrho shares none the less lost 2p to 255p.

Lonrho falls | Food group defies scares |



Christopher Haskins: keen to invest

He dismissed the latest food

scare, concerning British beef, as a "political stunt" by

had increased and beef fallen

NORTHERN Foods, Hull-based food manufacturer, braved the various food safety scares to turn in pre-tax profits ahead from £85.3 million to £90.2 million in the year to end-March (Martin Waller writes).

A final dividend of 7.25p makes a total increased from 11.3p to 12.5p.

Mr Christopher Haskins, the chairman, criticized the "hysterical response" to the scares as well as the role of the French farmers. Pork prices media, which he claimed "plays to society's neuroses" initially as a result, but they

the over food safety. He said the had now adjusted to their risk from the range of foods previous levels. "On balance now available was remote but the last three weeks has helped conceded: "You can't have food that is risk-free." A food us rather than hindered us," said Mr Haskins, Twenty-five per cent of Northern's pre-pared meat output is beefbill that will strengthen the relevant regulations is on its related, against 50-60 per cent way through Parliament. "The food industry is going to have to pull its socks up a bit," Mr

Northern has virtually nil aring and is keen to invest further. Areas favoured include dairy products and meat pies in this country, and expanding into Europe in the

Oxford advances 76% to £19.9m

By PHILIP PANGALOS

SHARES in Oxford Instruments Group, the hightechnology group, advanced by 34p to 233p after the company revealed a 76 per cent surge in pre-tax profits to £19.9 million in the year to March 25.

However, this figure was boosted by an exceptional gain of £4.31 million, mainly from the gain on the disposal of Oxford Magnet Technology, the medical scanner magnet business, to Siemens in May 1989. Earnings per share rose by 79 per cent to 26.8p, while earnings excluding excep-tional items rose by 10 per cent to 21p. The final dividend is improved to 2.7p

(2.2p), making 3.9p (3.2p) for the year, up 22 per cent. Mr Martin Lamaison, the finance director, said: "We have improved the balance of the group and we are no longer -product company."

Mr Lamaison said that Link Scientific, the X-ray analytical machine company acquired last September for £57.5 milion, had made "a good contribution to profits."

Group operating profits advanced by 8 per cent to £13.8 million. Group turnover was barely changed, down slightly from £101.1 million to £100.8 million. Associated companies contributed £523,000, after loss of £65,000 last time.

Mr Lamaison said that the company's cash position was close to neutral. Margins were slightly better, thanks to improved volumes and the containment of overheads.

The company is still awaiting results of tests on its synchroton project for IBM, intended to revolutionize production of silicon chips, although it says that good progress has continued. The machines, which are the company's key new product, could be sold for about £15 million

Mr Lamaison said: "We hope to have further development in the next few months. People are waiting to see if the prototype actually works." Sir Austin Pearce, chair-

man, said: "It has been a year of change for the group. We remain an export-oriented UK manufacturer of advanced instruments, but now

BUSINESS ROUNDUP Etam warning adds to retailing gloom

ETAM, the fashion retailer, yesterday gave warning that profits this year will be substantially lower than last year's. Mr Alan Howard, chairman, said that consumer confidence

is at about the same level as in the recession of 1981.

The market, already reeling from Goldberg and Coloroll going into receivership, marked Etam shares down 29p to 124p, and analysts downgraded forecasts for the year. The group is expected to make only 55 million to \$10 million this group is expected to make only £5 million to £10 million this year, compared with £17.5 million last year. Etam may make a trading loss in the first half. Mr Howard told the annual meeting that conditions on the high street continued to deteriorate and that in the short term there was little prospect of any change. "A loss is probable at the interim stage," he

GM in \$1bn Russian deal

GENERAL Motors has agreed a \$1 billion deal to provide pollution control systems for Russian cars. The deal with Volga Autoworks is to provide engine management systems and could lead to a joint venture making catalytic converters. The five-year contract underlines the move by GM into the Eastern bloc. It recently announced a joint venture in East Germany.

RCO up 33% at half-way

and related services company, lifted pre-tax profits by 33 per cent to £1.73 million in the 26 weeks to end-March on turnover ahead by 27 per cent to £17.5 million. Earnings per share rose 31 per cent to 10.29p and the interim dividend is 3.5p (2.7p). The directors are confident the year-end figures will exceed last time by a satisfactory margin.

Illingworth lower

ILLINGWORTH, Morris, the textiles group, reports a fall in pre-tax profits from £9.4 million to £9 million for the year to end-March. Sales fell from £96.6 million to £68.4 million in what the company described as increasingly difficult

Earnings per share rose from 15.3p to 15.7p because the tax charge dropped from £3.1 million to £2.6 million. Extraordinary charges, up from £1.6 million to £3.3 million, were not elaborated on. Net interest receivable jumped to £3.08 million (£188,000).

Waterman expects fall

WATERMAN Partnership Holdings, the engineering design consultant, has given warning that it expects lower profits for the year to end-June as a result of delayed starts to new projects and uncertainty in the construction industry. The group's share price tumbled 45p to 105p on Wednesday and was unchanged last night. The board expects annual profits lower than £5 million.

Marylebone in bid talks

SHARES in Marylebone Estates Company, the USMlisted property investor and dealer, rose 10p to 28p after the company announced it was in talks with a third party "which may lead to an offer for the whole of the issued share capital of the company." It is understood that talks, believed to be with a foreign company, are "fairly likely to lead to a full bid."

Sanders & Sidney dip

SANDERS & Sidney, the USM executive outplacement consultant, reports a slip in pre-tax profits from £852,000 to £738,000 for the year to end-March. Turnover advanced by 26 per cent to £3.77 million. Operating profits were shead by 26 per cent to £1.08 million. However, there was an

exceptional debit of £339,000, relating to board changes.

Operating profits in the second half were virtually double those of the first half and they have continued to advance in the new year. The final dividend is 5.2p (4.6p), making 7.5p (6.9p). Earnings per share slid from 11.7p to 9.5p.

have a well balanced portfolio of husinesses." Labour would aid | Provisions

By LINDSAY COOK, FAMILY MONEY EDITOR

would receive extra tax relief under a Labour government, Mr Bryan Gould, Shadow Secretary of State for the Environment, said at the **Building Societies Association**

conference. . Mr Gould said the party had a very clear commitment in its policy review document to help first-time buyers. This would be in the form of extra tax relief on repayments and not cash help with building up deposits.

At the same time, higher rate taxpayers would be restricted to basic rate tax relief on their mortgages. The de-tails of the removal of higherrate relief had not been worked out but it would be unlikely that homeowners would keep the extra relief until they moved house.

tax relief on the assured tenancy Business Expansion Schemes. These give tax relief on investments up to £40,000 to provide rented accommodation and any profits are also free of capital gains tax. The Nationwide Anglia Building Society is among the

leading sponsors of these schemes, which attracted about £150 million last year. Mr Gould criticized building societies for not always being careful in their lending learned policies. He said that while the future."

FIRST-TIME homebuyers proportion of foreclosures and repossessions remained small it was increasing.

"But the fact remains that the number of those for whom home ownership has proved a painful trap is growing and that the trend is likely to worsen. Many of these people feel, with justification or otherwise, that they were lured into an unwise commitment by interest rates which have subsequently doubled, by the prospects of capital appreciaion which have now been dashed, and by the illusion fostered by both the Government and the building societies - that home ownership

was always a one-way bet." He hoped that building societies would look self-critically at their own record.

I hope they will ask ntil they moved house. themselves whether, at the margin, they did not lend too easily and too optimistically, and in some few cases He added: "Lenders always

have to make judgements. Building societies are no exception. They always try to make those judgements wisely and responsibly. No one is suggesting anything more than that those judgements should. where appropriate, be re-viewed and that lessons, where available, should be learned and applied in the

first-time buyers | first at Nationwide

THE second largest building society, the Nationwide Anglia, will include bad debt provisions for mortgage arrears for the first time in its annual results next week.

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Boots bounce

Op to Blyth

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The society will also make ... provisions for FlexAccount, ... its interest-paying current ac-count and for commercial property loans. Its estate agency network is expected to ' add to last year's trading losses of £9 million.

The provisions are likely to total more than £60 million. Last year the society produced pre-tax profits of £239 million.

Nationwide Anglia had funded developments being built by the Declan Kelly Group, which collapsed in February. The Halifax Building Society, one of the company's development partners, called in the receivers at the request of the Declan board. Building work on the Nationwide Anglia project was aban-doned half-completed.

The society is making proisions for other developers it feels have an uncertain future. The FlexAccount, launched

in May 1987, was the first interest-bearing current ac-count offering full banking services. It has long been rumoured by rival banks to have bad debt problems. The · provisions follow an assessment of the society's credit scoring system.

Ravenscraig dispute clouds plans

British Steel eyes on Europe

By DEREK HARRIS, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

exploring options to strengthen its presence in British Steel's growing incontinental Europe.

Charges of "deplorable industrial relations" came industrial relations" came from Mr Clive Lewis, chairman of the Scottish TUC, following a refusal by Sir Robert Scholey, the British Steel chairman, to meet the Ravenscraig workforce to discuss the reasons for the

Sir Robert offered to answer any letters so Mr Lewis urged the workers to write asking why 700 jobs had to go.

The Scottish TUC is seeking a meeting with Sir Robert and plans to send a delegation to the European Commission as

AMID a growing row over the well as raising the Ravenscraig in wooing Spain's Aristrain, a closure of the Ravenscraig issue with the Commons family-controlled steelmaker strip mill, British Steel is Trade and Industry Select and big supplier of construc-Committee.

> terest in expansion into continental Europe could well fuel the controversy precipitated by the Ravenscraig decision, which many in Scotland believe presages a complete shutdown there. On the European ac-

quisition front, British Steel has only a few details to settle on its prospective deal to been to London for talks with acquire from West Germany's British Steel, exploring how Klockner steel, machinery and the British might help in plastics group its steel works at is expected within weeks, possibly this month.

Steel is making little progress

and big supplier of constructional steels. Ensidesa, one of Spain's biggest steelmakers, had also put in a bid. British Steel is also explor-

ing the possibility of collabo-rative ventures in Eastern Europe. It has already had contacts at industry level with most of the East European nations including the Poles, Hungarians and Czechs. Russian steel interests have also preparing the Soviet industry Proisdorf. An announcement for freer market conditions.

Sir Robert is, however, bly this month. known to be approaching At the same time British prospects of collaboration

PILKINGTON ANNUAL RESULTS

The profit for 1989/90 represents a good performance, achieved in increasingly difficult trading conditions in many countries and markets served by the Group.

The balance sheet has been further strengthened and Group gearing has been reduced by 14 points through strong internal cash generation, selective divestment of non-core activities, and the monies received as a result of the investment by Nippon Sheet Glass in 20% of our United States subsidiary, Libbey-Owens-Ford.

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

At the operating level sales are ahead by 13% and profits have increased by £11 million.

This is a very creditable achievement when set against a number of adverse economic events encountered around the world.

FLAT AND SAFETY GLASS

The European operations increased profits by £9 million this year. In Germany, Flachglas achieved record results and maintained its market position in buoyant conditions. In the United Kingdom, the flat and safety glass operations of Pilkington Glass Limited achieved a very satisfactory performance.

Libbey-Owens-Ford in the United States experienced a severe downturn in profit in the second half, due to sharply reduced new car production. However, the company performed well in the architectural and residential markets.

Results in Australia were well down on the previous year. South Africa and Brazil achieved record

INSULATION AND REINFORCEMENTS

Trading conditions were difficult with lower demand in the market due to the reduction in United Kingdom building activity and the third mild winter in succession.

VISIONCARE

Pilkington Visioncare enjoyed a good start to the year, but as predicted in the Interim Statement, the later months were severely affected by adverse market conditions in the United States, the United Kingdom and Germany. The second half downturn in profit was principally due to a decline in the United States contact lens market, which is now stabilising. There are signs of improvement in the United Kingdom and strong demand has returned in Germany.

OPTRONICS

In the United Kingdom the present uncertainty in the defence industry has provided a difficult trading background, necessitating a reduction of 400 jobs at a cost of £4 million. Despite this the order book at the year end is at a record level.

PROSPECTS

The economic climate in a number of the markets in which the Group operates is more uncertain today than has been the case for some time. However, Pilkington is better positioned than ever before to take advantage of growth opportunities as they arise.

> EXTRACTS FROM THE STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN ANTONY R. PILKINGTON

£m £m 2,915.0 2,572.6 Turnover 314.3 325.2 Profit before tax Profit attributable 178.7 176.5 to shareholders Shareholders' funds 1,324.3 1,032.5 Earnings per ordinary 25.0p 27.3p Dividend per ordinary 10.5p 9.5p

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Turnover up by 13% to £2,915 million.
- Operating profits up by £11 million to £360 million.
- Dividends increased by 10.5%.
- Dividend cover 2.4 times.
- Shareholders' funds increased by £292 m (28%).
- Gearing reduced by 14 points as forecast.

servation in the auto industry.

- Excellent flat and safety glass performance in Europe.
- Investment by Nippon Sheet Glass in Libbey-Owens-Ford successfully completed.
- Technological leadership extended with launch of new products, in particular:
- Pilkington K Glass for energy conservation in buildings.

- EZ-KOOL glass for solar control and energy con-



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n my 47th birthday, Eugene Anderson spent his first day as chairman of Ferranti International, stepping into the shoes of Sir Derek Alun-Jones. Before I am 48, he will have constructed a company that is profitable and soundly financed. By the time I am 50, Mr

> Ferranti looks as if will be one of the lucky ones. Despite the crushing financial blow of the alleged fraud at its International Signal subsidiary, the company has gone beyond the stage where its survival is in doubt. This is partly because the banks were whipped into line early, but more because Ferranti had enough fat, enough hidden reserves, to cover the gaping holes left in the balance sheet by the Inter-national Signal affair.

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Substantial book profits have been made on the asset sales, and new injections of equity are unneccessary.

Sometime soon, perhaps even today, Mr Anderson, the tall, affable American who moved into the mess that was Johnson Matthey and rebuilt it into a

Ferranti all ready to fly again

going concern, will announce details of his reorganization

The divisional structure will be simplified and streamlined; the old culture of divisions in similar technologies competing against each other will be swept away overnight. In its place will rise the rebuilt Ferranti, designed around the businesses left after the firesales of Ferranti Defence Systems Group and parts of the Italian operations. He can then tick off the first of the eight objectives he set himself on Day One. Others have already been ticked away.

One, however, remains unfulfilled. Number Five: "Renegotiate debt, reduce number of banks to a limited number of relationship banks, and reduce borrowing costs in line with improved financial status."

Ferranti has £192 million deposited in the bank, and only £70 million of net indebtedness. But the deposits are held under the banking standstill agreement

COMMENT

DAVID BREWERTON

Ferranti raised money from asset sales, it went straight into the desposit account. Out of £400 million, Ferranti was allowed £25 million pocket money.

This week, the banks were

the company's position and potential. A report was put together by Coopers & Lybrand Deloitte, backing the reorganization and the case for renegotiation of the banking facilities. Barings, lead banker, is also on-side, so the company looks to be on the home straight. Ferranti needs to get out from under the standstill agreement and into a more normal banking relationship so that it can spend

money, not to buy itself another

against contingent liabilities. As International Signal, but to rationalize, make redundancies where necessary and close uneconomic facilities. The sooner this is done, the sooner a positive operating cash flow will be established, which should make the bankers feel more given a detailed presentation of comfortable than a contrived stop-gap which has probably now

outlived its purpose. One of the problems may be that the banks are rather a shellshocked brigade at the moment. They let British & Commonwealth slip through their fingers, throwing the ball to the authorities which promptly dropped it. The unfortunate "Pots 'n' Pans Man" from Debenhams, Kenneth Marks, who mayed in to replace John modities in the control of who moved in to replace John

Ashcroft at Coloroli, has found the "very strong vibes" he had from the banks were insufficient to keep the company afloat.

The banks, not for the first time, are torn between their image and their reserves. The right move at Ferranti should do both a power of good.

All square

Vesterday's tale of woe in the high street, with two former high fliers—Coloroll and Goldberg—falling heavily to earth and another -Etam - giving a low fuel warning, seems at first sight difficult to square with the "moderate rise" in sales reported by the latest distributive trades survey from the Confederation of British

But the overall picture conceals much variation in the detail. Sales of basic com-modities like food appear to have switched off.

continued to grow quite strongly - so strongly in fact that imports of food have been remarkably buoyant as the trade figures have

showed. More peripheral items of spending, however, especially more traditionally those dependent on credit, like household goods, have been sharply cut back. Retail categories reporting lower sales than a year ago include specialist food, durable household goods, booksellers and stationers and household textiles, furniture and carpets. Against that background the problems of Coloroll, and to a lesser extent Goldberg, are less

surprising.

From the macro-economic point of view the Government can perhaps take comfort from the evidence that retailers in general are beginning to feel the squeeze. Few jobs have been shed, which means that for most retailers margins have been cut. Prices at all stages of the distribution chain are rising more

slowly. For investors, however, the

OFFICERS of the Metropolitan Police fraud squad have moved in on the plans Police of the pl Lane offices of Dunsdale Securities in an attempt to learn more about Mr Robert Miller, the company's only director, who has not been seen at the offices for a week.

They were joined by the provisional liquidators, Mr Raymond Hocking, of Stoy Hayward, and Mr Harold Sorsky, of Sorsky Defries, the accountants, who took the first steps towards piecing together the extent to which investors' money may be at risk. The final count will depend on amounts which may be awaiting settlement, but between £15 million and £20 million is now thought to be involved. Speaking from the compa-

ny's offices yesterday afternoon, Mr Sorsky said he and his colleagues were trying to establish what had happened and why. "I have not found any gilt certificates or substantial amounts of money, and we are continuing our inquiry. I believe a serious amount of money is at stake."

Mr Sorsky, who was preparing a list of creditors, said he thought as many as 200 investors were involved. They are thought to have invested from £1,000 to £500,000 each with Dunsdale Securities. Police officers removed

books and files from the company's offices. A warrant has been issued for Mr Miller's arrest. Bitter friends and customers

were counting the cost of their dealings with Mr Miller, described as a well-dressed and polite businessman with a taste for high living. A party he held for friends and investors at Apsley House less than 10 days ago, including an opera performance and dinner, was being described yesterday as a "swan-song" by close friends who said it may have been Mr Miller's way of

saying goodbye. One investor, who did not flats in Highpoint, Highgate, north London. He said his family went on to invest

at stake in the Dunsdale liquidation



Harold Sorksy: no gilt certificates found

Mr Miller, who holds a ing Noteline, Florcourt and degree from the London Devabrook. He was appointed was set up in 1974. He went on to become a director of several Properties, and others includ- companies.

wish to be named, grew up with Mr Miller in a block of Stock Exphance hafter in November Stock Exchange before joining 1983.He resigned as a director Dunsdale Securities which of City Trust, a London bank, in November 1985, and as a director of Crewheath Travel in July 1987. He was also a the smaller Fimbra members. Miller who was known to like dealing in blocks of £25,000 a companies, including Dunsdale Guarantee and Dunsdale director of several non-trading

Mr Miller, who is 40, has one son from a previous marriage, and a sister who lives in Canada. He recently remarried, and is believed to be abroad with his new wife. After his divorce, Mr Miller paid £750,000 for a luxurious seven-bedroom house in the heart of Mayfair, which he converted at substantial cost. The property is thought to be valued at £1 million. He is also believed to own a £2 million property in St John's Wood, north London.

Mr Miller's trademarks included a chauffeur-driven Mercedes, said to be a legacy of having lost his driving licence. Clients remembered him for his smart appearance and easy manner. He was known to work long hours, often working into the evening at his Park Lane offices which were within easy walking distance of his Mayfair home.

Investors included friends and relatives, many of whom were attracted by the prospect of returns of 20 per cent or more on their money. Duns-dale invested primarily in gilts.

One puzzie still unexplained is why it had taken Fimbra, the Financial Intermediaries, Managers and Brokers Regulatory Association, nearly four days to discover that an order freezing the assets of Mr Miller and Dunsdale Securities had been granted in the High Court.

Fimbra regularly carries out compliance checks on many of latest turn of events are likely formed well, cutting gearing have been tackled soone 000 members, but the to call into question its effectiveness as a regulator. Fimbra refuses to comment further on the case.

The Investors Compensation Scheme formed two years ago under the Financial Services Act is facing its biggest single test as a result of the Dunsdale affair. Under the scheme investors may be paid up to £48,000 in compensation as a result of losses suffered by a fully authorized firm. Dundsdale was authorized to carry out investment business and handle client money, unlike many of

Jon Ashworth

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Gloomy year for Pilkington

At £314.3 million, pre-tax profits were slightly below best hopes with the market looking for a figure closer to last year's £325 million. On closer scrutiny, the figures were boosted by the £27.8 million proceeds of a German waterworks disposal. Net of this, profits were £286.5 million, 12 per cent below the previous year.

But coupled with disappointing news from the group's newer diversifications, an important plank of the strategy which persuaded the City to reject BTR's takeover bid, the figures made drab reading.

In flat and safety glass, some 77 per cent of group sales trading profit struggled to a 2 per cent increase at £293 million. In the US a motor industry downturn hit Libby Owens Ford. Of the group's smaller businesses, insulation, where operating profit fell from £17 million to £9 million, was hit by lower housing sales. Visioncare was perhaps the most disappointing result with operating profit £10 million lower at £25 million.

Financially, Pilkington per-

NOT much was expected of 14 points to 45 per cent. If the glassmaker Pilkington in a year when construction housing and cars were all depressed.

14 points to 45 per tent if the profits down from £13.9 with profits down from £13.9 million to £2.9 million, and has contributed heavily to the sample in gearing to 46.7 per surge in geari in most of Pilkington's trading cent. On paper, the £100 areas, the shares are no more than a hold.

Norcros THIS was the year Norcros was supposed to come good.

Profits growth was expected to have resumed by the beginning of the Nineties, with the new management broom, introduced in the spring of 1988, having swept through the group. As it is, Mr Nigel Lawson's legacy of high in-terest rates has seen profits all but halved and, but for exceptionals, would have forced the board to raid the reserves to hold the dividend.

The good news is quick in the telling. Building products' 29 per cent advance at the operating level in tough conditions owes much to the market positioning of Crittall windows, Triton showers and the like. Elsewhere the outlook is bleak. A slump in ceramics' profits, from £21.8 million to £7.78 million, means drastic surgery for the tile business, amid thoughts that it might

early recovery.

Property fared still worse, with profits down from £13.9 million portfolio more than covers the debts, but the group would not fancy having to justify that statistic in a hurry.

Group plans include winding down the property dev-elopment, says the board. You bet they do. Without an early cut in base rates, Norcros will do well to beat £42 million pre-tax this year.

Meanwhile, income considerations are all that support the share price. The 10p rise to 208p left the yield above 10 per cent, without which Norcros looks an eventual break-up candidate.

And there is little chance of Northern Foods

IT IS one of life's ironies that the spate of food scares over the past year or so might turn out to be good news in the long run for the big producers like Northern Foods.

Chicken, cheese, eggs, beef - all have been swept from the dining tables of the "middle-Christopher Haskins, Northmay be perceived as bad news in the City, it strengthens the least.

like Northern who have been investing of late in the best equipment and the big food retailers, who are less and less inclined to take chances with their sources of supply.

After years of squeezing margins at their suppliers, the stores are being forced to realize that producing quality food safely is expensive.

This must be good for Northern, which last year completed a new chilled foods factory at Sheffield and will see 40 per cent of its output go to the big four retailers this

The group came in with a 6 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £90.2 million in the year to end-March, flattered to some extent by lower pension fund contributions and capitalized interest on the new plant it has built. The shares, still some way from the 362p they reached in September, jumped 8p to 317p on the news.

The outlook is not entirely rosy - the biscuit market is flat with price-cutting threatening the bottom end - but as Northern further cements its relationship with the retailers

it should make progress.
Assuming it makes £100 class neurotics" derided by Mr million pre-tax this year, the shares are changing hands on a em's chairman. While this reasonable 9.7 times future earnings. A solid hold at the

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Boots bounce up to Blyth

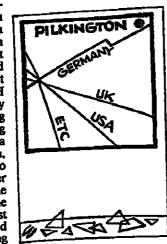
INSIDERS at Boots who grumble about the amount of time Sir James Blyth, their chairman, spends out of the office, have been put sharply in their places by the agreed merger of Boots' DIY division, Payless, with WH Smith's Do-It-All. For the idea that gave rise to the deal, which has created the largest DIY group in Britain, came to Blyth during one such absence from Boots head office. Previously managing director of Plessey, and before that head of defence sales at the Ministry of Defence, Blyth was playing tennis at London's prestigious Queen's Club about eight weeks ago when his tennis opponent, Alasdair Simpson, planted the relevant seed. The Boots boss, who has just celebrated his 50th birthday, was apparently complaining about the difficult times in the DIY market. Simpson, a solicitor with West End firm Manches & Co, thought that his grievances sounded strangely familiar. His firm, it so happened, acted for WH Smith, which naturally enough, was experiencing similar problems. Insisting that he acted more as a catalyst than Cupid, Simpson, whose firm is moving to offices in Aldwych to be closer to the Square Mile, said: "The need for consolidation in the market was obvious and I just suggested to James that he and Malcolm (Fields, managing

together. I think a tennis court sas good a place as anywhere and the client, described as annual requests for a wage to bounce a few ideas

Statisticians have calculated that a further 120,000 individuals will be made millionaires

Only kidding

PROVIDING a test of the senses of humour of those who work in the Square Mile, FRS, a head-hunting group special-izing in asset finance, placed what was deemed to be a fairly obvious April Fool job advert in that month's edition of Asset Finance & Leasing Di-



a cross-border finance man-SO MUCH for the American work ethic. New statistics reveal that each week 25 Americans become millionaires. . . by winning a lottery. and Yugoslavian farmers." The advert added that a Communist Party background by such means during the next and working knowledge of British gold bullion reserves and warship design circa 1945 would be an advantage. To the Global war games astonishment of FRS, there

were some serious replies. Chris Devonshire-Ellis, managing director of FRS, refused to identify one applicant, a senior leasing mandatacom company, to spare him further embarrassment. But he said FRS has now found him a job with the had been seeking to fill that post for four months," he added.

Poor painting EMPLOYEES at Daishowa

Paper, the company whose chairman, Ryoei Saito, recently startled the world and thrilled art dealers by paying \$82.5 million for a Van Gogh, \$78.1 million for a Renoir and picked up a \$4 million Rodin sculpture with his loose change, are feeling more than a little miffed. Loyal Japanese workers though they are, they are nevertheless finding it difficult to accept the reason

director of WH Smith) get together. I think a tennis court was "Enver Hoxha Buildings" when he turns down their "Albania's largest goat-breeding organisation," was seeking telling them that the company is too deeply in debt to permit such extravagances as a pay

> GRAFFITO on a builder's hoarding in Belsize Park, North London: "The most underdeveloped territory on Earth is situated between hu-

THE British Coal Pension Fund has dramatically switched tactics in its £1.03 billion bid for Globe Investment Trust. A handful of its ager with an international fund managers were spotted stalking through woods near Hook in Hampshire, with pistols drawn the other day. But David Hardy, the Globe National Bank of Greece. "We chairman, can rest easily in his bed. For, on this occasion at least, the foe being attacked by the fund managers was James Capel. Capel's team was led by Chris Morris, a food and stores analyst, who had invited the Coal fund to a day of war games in the countryside. But although Capel won the day, albeit by a narrow margin, another of its analysts, Andrew Falshaw, had a narrow escape when one of the exploding yellow pellets fired from the pistols narrowly missed one of his eyes. "He is looking a bit jaundiced," Mor-

ris admitted. Carol Leonard

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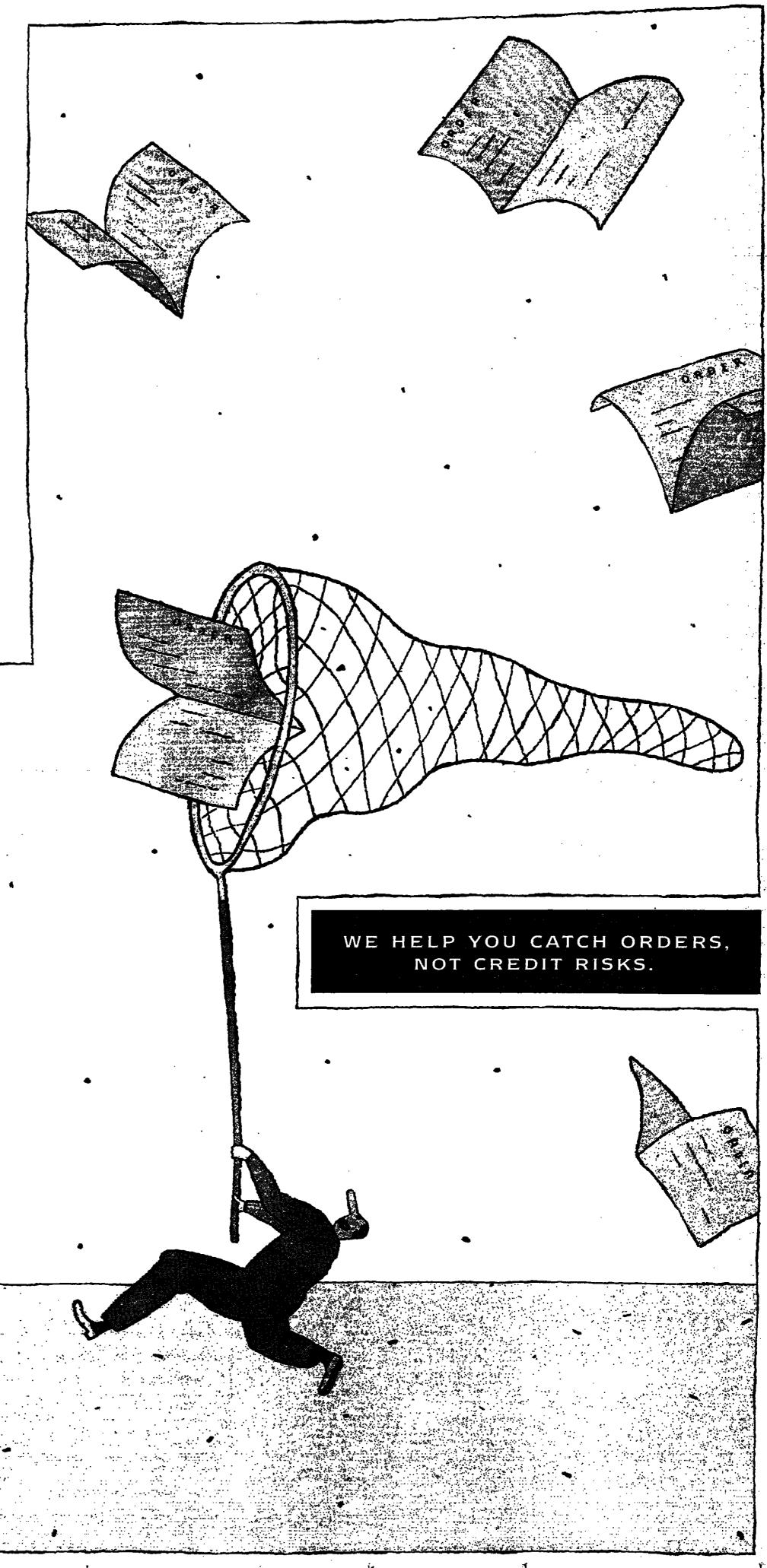
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Revaluation by Globe hampers Coal's bid

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GLOBE investment Trust has taken advantage of the rising stock market to increase its asset valuation and put itself further out of reach from the hostile £1.03 billion bid by British Coal Pension Funds.

In its latest desence document, Globe states its total value is 233p a share, up from the 225p that it announced last month. The new figure is 29p higher than the trust's in the year to end-March. asset value when the bid was launched.

Most of the uplift comes from Globe's portfolio of quoted shares. The FT-SE 100 index has risen 9 per cent since Globe last updated its assets

But assets have also been helped by Globe's acquisition of a 57-year lease on Globe House, its headquarters, from Mountleigh, for £54.5 million.

In all Globe's underlying assets are valued at 218.1p. compared with 210p last month. The valuation of 233p is made up by including the trust's final 4p dividend, a valuation of its fund management operations, and 3.4p for the discount on the group debenture stock.

The market received Globe's new figures well, and its share rose 3p to 201p, well American progress makes up for slack market in Britain

US growth is the key to Yale advance

Home product profits im-

Turnover was £236.7 mil-

lion against £197 million for

Total sales for the group advanced by almost 19 per cent to £414.7 million, of

which the US businesses accounted for £252.4 million.

further growth this year, with added impetus if Britain is

"through the worst" and in-terest rates begin to fall.

to see some contribution from

new products, including the first British Standard Yale

The final dividend is 6.15p

per share are up from 28.1p to 32.3p. Yale and Valor shares

responded with a 3p rise to

Mr Montague also expects

Mr Montague is looking for

YALE and Valor, the locks to East, Thailand, the Philippines and Singapore. household appliance group, has overcome disappointing proved by a similar amount but on a bigger base, from £31.1 million to £35.4 million. results in the UK to turn in a pre-tax profits increase from £49.3 million to £56.6 million

Mr Michael Montague, the chairman, whose vision cata-pulted the former Valor gas heater business into the big league with its acquisition of the Yale locks and NuTone electric appliance activities in 1987, says the home market remains slack with the exception of the industrial products

In the United States, however, the commercial and industrial side of the company is strong. Home products results were good despite less than favourable market

door lock, with 1 million combinations of keys, which he introduced yesterday at the Howard Hotel, London. Operating profits from the security division climbed from £17.7 million to £21.7 a share, making 10.05p for the year, against 8.75p. Earnings million on sales of £141.9 million against £118.6 million, and continued growth is seen worldwide.

Mr Montague points to big responding rises in sales in the Middle 321p.



In the big league: Michael Montague yesterday

causes slide in results at 600 Group

By PHILIP PANGALOS

THE 600 Group, the machine tool, laser and optical equip-ment company, reports a slide in pre-tax profits from £10.1 million to £8.59 million in the year to end-March.

The results reflect the costs of refocusing and reorganization. The largest single factor was the restructuring of Colchester Lathe, the group's largest machine tool manufacturer, which has been completed — but profits were reduced by about £1.7 million. Earnings per share slip from

14.8p to 11.4p. The final dividend is maintained at 3.74p, making an unchanged total of 6.2p for the year. The figures included an exceptional profit of £896,000 from the surplus on property sales.

Group turnover was marginally reduced to £155.8 million, against £156.5 million previously, affected by the company's decision to withdraw from turnkey contracting in the Middle East and focus on its core activities. Further costs are being in-curred in this strategic withdrawal and full provision has been made, resulting in an extraordinary charge of £4.51 million. However, sales at continuing businesses were ahead by about 9 per cent.

The shares firmed by 2p to

Restructure | South West Water narrowly beats predicted profits

company reported that it had only narrowly beaten its own forecast for the year to end-March, made at the time of last year's flotation, and was paying only the indicated

South West made £45.3 million pre-tax, against a forecast of £44.5 million. The dividend is to be 11.62p, as indicated in the prospectus. Earlier this week, Thames Water surprised the stock market by paying a higher dividend than had been sug-gested and North West Water

beat its own profits forecast by more than £5 million. Pro forma pre-tax profits, which assume the new capital structure imposed by the stock

market float had been in place throughout the year, were £82.8 million pre-tax, just £800,000 ahead of the forecast with the prospectus, South West said. The figure achieved was two or three million pounds below some City Pro forma earnings per

share were 61.9p, against a prospectus forecast of 61.3p. South West had been seen at the float as one of the hardest water companies to sell because of publicity over pollution and contaminated water supplies. But the shares

SHARES in South West Water bad doubled at one stage from their 100p partly-paid price before easing back to their present level.

Mr Keith Court, the chairman, said the management had accelerated the company's capital investment plan and ing the year, a 50 per cent increase on last time. A similar rise was planned for the current year, and over the next 10 years it would be spending £1.4 billion. The board would be pursuing a progressive dividend policy as set out in

The group had the benefit of operating in a region of growth, and turnover grew by the prospectus 13 per cent to £121 million. Further growth of the core business would be supported by development of non-core

enterprises. The flotation had provided South West with a strong balance sheet giving a sound financial basis for the future. Mr Court confirmed that

the company was going ahead with its legal action against British Alcan over pollution at Carnelford, Cornwall, in 1988 that threatened to affect the shares' stock market debut. Drinking supplies had become accidentally contaminated with aluminium sulphate at South West's Lowermoor

Interim £21.8m at Daily Mail group

Trust, owner of the Daily Mail and the Evening Standard, produced pre-tax profits of £21.8 million in the six months to end-March. The previous figure, of £19 million, is not directly comparable because of the acquisition during the previous first half of 49.95 per cent of Associated Newspapers Holdings.

The interim dividend on the A non-voting shares is raised by 2p to 27p. Trading profit was ahead from £23.4 million to £32.7 million, but income from investments The A shares fell by £1 to dropped from £4.2 million to £49.

DAILY Mail and General £100,000 after the sale of the group's holding in Consoli-dated-Bathurst, and interest charges were up from £11.2

The group said that a reduction in overall revenue in a difficult trading environment for newspapers had largely offset the benefits of cost reductions and operating efficiencies. The economic conditions under which the group was operating were unlikely to improve significantly during the current financial year, it

Hunter Saphir profit falls 8% to £5.6m

HUNTER Saphir, the USMquoted food group 20 per cent owned by the beleaguered Berisford International, yesterday reported an 8 per cent million for the year to end-

The group gave warning about profits in March and the shares reacted with a 1p fail to 93p. The total dividend for the year remains unchanged at 5.05p, with earnings up 8 per cent to 15.32p.

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Sales fell from £167 million to £137 million, reflecting the

disposal of the canned food operations. Sales of the remaining businesses rose 14

Since the year-end a depot fall in pre-tax profits to £5.6 has been sold for £4.5 million and a another depot sale is

> On trading prospects, the group said the first quarter was "in line with plans," but would continue to be affected by the "high financing cost of bridging the acquisition and disposal programme."

This will affect half-year

The Boots Company PLC

Boots announces st-ever 3580 million.

Profit up 16.7%

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- Boots The Chemists achieved another record year with sales up 8.9% and profit up 25.8%.
- Successful integration of Halfords and AG Stanley. (Payless DIY to combine with WH Smith's Do It All, announced 5th June 1990.)
- Boots Opticians acquired Miller and Santhouse and integrated the business into the chain.
- Pharmaceuticals increased profit by 16.6%, with outstanding success in the USA.

Commenting on the results, the Chairman, Robert Gunn, said:

"This is an outstanding result, particularly the profit increase of 25.8% from Boots The Chemists - a profit which has increased on a comparative basis by over 70% in the past

The group result is against a background of a tough economic environment most significantly in the UK, and reflects successful management of the business in terms of product development, successful marketing and careful cost control."

PRELIMINARY RESULTS HIGHLIGHTS To 31st March 1990										
	1990 1989									
Pre-tax profit	£358.0m	£306.7m	+16.7%							
Pre-tax profit (excluding profit from property sales)	£342.8m	£295.0m	+16.2%							
Earnings per share	25.5p	22.6p	+12.8%							
Final dividend	7.15p	6.5p	+10.0%							

The Boots Company PLC

The full Report and Accounts, on which the auditors have issued an unqualified report, will be posted to shareholders on 26th June. Copies will be available from the Secretary, The Boots Company PLC, Nottingham NG2 3AA.



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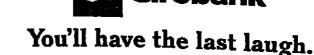
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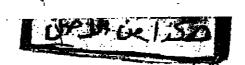
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for another row with the United States over trade. The latest dispute centres on Tokyo's new and contro-

versial theory that its large trade surpluses are not the demons of American myth, but a virtuous and vital source of cash needed to rebuild Eastern Europe.

The US, and many economists, are finding it hard to swallow Japan's logic. Even Japanese trade officials are worried that the new sales pitch could sour relations between the two nations at next month's world summit in

But Tokyo's finance ministry said that, far from threat-ening the world trading system or its economic bealth, Japan's surpluses are helping to keep the system affoat by funding American budget deficits and tempering the rise in interest rates all over the

Tokyo's external surpluses are seen by many of its trading partners as evidence of Japan's import barriers. To call them beneficial, even necessary, has been taboo in Tokyo until now.

Washington is particularly irritated with the timing of the Japanese ministry's novel argument. It comes just weeks after the Americans thought they had won trade concessions from Tokyo that might help to shrink the stubborn American trade deficit with Japan.

Economists regard the rationale behind Japan's thinking with recycled funds from little more than an attempt to use voodoo economics to justify Japan's continued cur-



Brady: well-off nations should try to cut surpluses rent account surpluses. They if there is a sound justification

say it is impossible to pick an for Japan's surpluses, there optimal level for a current must, by implication, also be account balance.

It is also ironic that Japan should be suggesting that Eastas questionable at best. At abroad when Japan's postwar worst, they say, the theory is economic miracle was financed by savings generated at

home. with current account surpluses "The What annoys the US is that should keep trying to reduce issue."

tinues to fall, then the yen will continue to weaken, which

could fan inflation and accelerate Japan's land-price spiral. This is what lies behind the sudden surge in interest in the theory of the 'necessary' cur-rent account surplus." Japan's current account surplus has been falling from its

just a sideshow, it's just an excuse. In the decades after

"What is worrying Japan's

foreign borrowing.

them by boosting domestic

He stressed that the need for

capital in Eastern Europe

should not be confused with

investment.

to savings."

1986 peak of \$94 billion. It stood at \$53.5 billion in the year to end-March.

But some economists predict that the yen's recent decline will swell Japan's trade surplus by making Japanese exports cheaper and its imports dearer. This would almost certainly rekindle American hostility.

Mr Kim Schoenholtz, an economist at the Tokyo office of Salomon Brothers, the US an economically honourable investment bank, said: "We forecast that Japan's current in the red.
Mr Nicholas Brady, the US account will start rising in the second half of this year and missed the argument, saying a into next year, so the problem few days ago that countries is likely to worsen.

"This is going to be a hot

Japan's 'necessary' trade Second SA group to take control member of Fed

From John Durie IN NEW YORK

the need for surplus countries to continue to bring down THE US Federal Reserve their external surpluses by increasing investment relative Board lost its second member this year with the surprise resignation of Mr Manuel Many economists are also Johnson, the vice-chairman.

puzzled by Japan's new think-Mr Johnson, who joined the Fed in 1986, will head a Mr Peter Tasker, an analyst private economic research at Kleinwort Benson, the mergroup and will also return to chant bank, in Tokyo, said: teaching at George Mason "It's not a very credible argument. Eastern Europe is

University. Earlier this year Mr David Mullins, a former Treasury official, replaced Mr Robert the war, Japan did not rely on Heller, who had resigned to take up a private enterprise position.

finance ministry is that if the The news came as the current account surplus con-Commerce Department revised downwards its estimate of American business spending to an annual increase of 5.5 per cent. The new estimate compares

with the department's original 7.9 per cent predicted growth in capital expenditure, which, in turn, compares with the 8.9 per cent growth last year. The figures underline the slowing growth in the American economy as shown by the 1.3 per cent GNP growth in the first

quarter this year. Wall Street economists have also downgraded estimates of second-quarter growth to around 2 per cent from original estimates above a 2.5 per cent growth level.

The department said manufacturing capital spending would increase by only 3.4 per cent this year, compared with 4.9 per cent estimated two months ago.

Mr Johnson's departure

from the Fed comes after a term in which he won respect for his fight-inflation-first policy, which is supported by his chairman, Mr Alan Greenspan. Mr Johnson said yesterday: "The outlook for a soft landing, for the continuation of it, is very good. I'm very pleased with what the Fed is doing.

The present make-up of the seven-member board of gov-ernors for the Fed is almost united in support of a policy of slow economic growth to cut inflation. The only exception is Ms Martha Seger, who has consistently voted in favour of interest-rate cuts at times when the economy shows

Recent indications from Mr Greenspan suggest there will be little change in Fed policy over the next few months. It seems likely the federal funds rate, the interbank overnight lending rate, will remain at about 8.25 per cent.

Bula ahead

Bula Resources, the oil company, raised pre-tax profits from £211,000 to £501,000 for the year. Again there is no

entitled to further ordinary outstanding. shares, up to a maximum of Mr Stephen Coleman, the 17.1 million, which would finance director, said: "We Thomas French profits dive By OUR CITY STAFF from £1.06 million to ing, although overseas busi

Earnings per share fell from

5.72p to 2.77p, but the interim

dividend stays at 1.45p.

of Bennett & Fountain

By PHILIP PANGALOS THE Bennett & Fountain increase its holding to 60 per have taken down the debt and

Bennett made a pre-tax loss

of £7.9 million in the year to

July 1, 1989, affected by the

ing, although it reported a profit of £571,000 for the six

Bennett's retail division has

seen significant restructuring

in the last nine months. The

company has disposed of its

rental arm to Thorn EMI and

has seen the closure of about

100 retail outlets, with about

It is understood that some

56 remaining open.

months to end-December.

Group, the USM electrical cent of the enlarged capital,

retailer and wholesaler which depending on the extent to

has been holding talks with "a which Bennen's net assets are

third party" interested in less than £20 million at at the subscribing for new shares, end of this month.

Voltex, which is listed on slowdown in consumer spend-

tal. further restructuring of the In addition, Voltex will be retail division is still

A COMBINATION of lower demand for consumer prod-ucts in Britain, higher interest costs and development expenditure in newly-acquired busi-nesses took their toll on profits at Thomas French, the curtain styling and home improvement products group.

has entered into a subscription

agreement with Voltex Hold-

the Johannesburg Stock Ex-change, is a wholesale distrib-

utor of cable, electrical and

ancillary products as well as

manufacturing low-voltage

It has conditionally agreed

to subscribe £20 million for

46.5 million new ordinary

shares at 43p, representing about 52.3 per cent of Ben-

nett's enlarged ordinary cap-

ings of South Africa.

PVC cable.

Pre-tax profits were halved demand and trade de-stock-

£507,000 in the six months to nesses did well and exports March, on sales down from were at a record level. "As £11.2 million to £9.32 million. there is little sign of any im-

stock levels enormously and we have reduced overheads

He added that resources had

been concentrated on the

wholesale division, "which is

The company said that

conditions remain difficult,

but the injection of funds by

Voltex, which will be applied

mainly in reducing borrow-

ings, should "considerably en-

Voltex's subscription will

strengthen Bennett's balance

sheet and will also provide

advantageous purchasing

terms as well as access to

personnel, resources and

Bennett's shares, which stood at the 30p level at the

beginning of last month, eased by 2p to 43p yesterday on the

hance the group's prospects.

significantly.

the second half," he said. Mr Jeremy French, chair-Interest payments stood at man, said that sales of consumer products in Britain fell £172,000, against receipts of £22,000 last time. by 16 per cent, due to lower The shares fell on to 60p

provement in demand or red-

uction in interest rates, we do

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SEEBOARD plc

Take notice that SEEBOARD pic has applied for an extension to a Private Electricity Supply Licence granted on 26th March 1990 in the following terms:

1. Full name of the applicant: SEEBOARD plc

2. Address of the applicant, or in the case of a body corporate the registered or

Hove, East Sussex

3. Where the applicant is a Company, the full names of the current Directors and the Company's registered number:

George Alexander Squair David Alexander Lovesey Ralph Harry Charles Aldred Roy Arthur Cox Thomas James Ellis Leonard Jones Ian George McLeod John Barrington Quin ames Keith Stuart

Registered No. 2366867

4. Where a holding of 20 per cent or more of the shares of an applicant is held by a body corporate or partnership of an unincorporated association carrying on a trade or business with or without a view to profit, the name(s) and address(es) of the holder(s) Not applicable

5. Desired date from which the licence is to take effect: 30th June 1990

ti. A sufficient description adequately specifying the nature and situation of the premises intended to be supplied, separately identifying premises within the power bands specified in and to the extent provided by paragraph 7 below:

All non-domestic premises with a demand of IMW or more in the following

Eastern Electricity plo East Midlands Electricity plc London Electricity plc Manweb plc Midlands Electricity plc Northern Electric plo NORWEB plc Southern Electric plc South Wales Electricity plc South Western Electricity of Yorkshire Electricity Group plc Scottish Hydro-Electric pla Scottish Power plc

7. (a) Subject to sub-paragraph (b) indicate the total number of premises intended to be supplied in each power band as shown in the table below, together with the aggregrate energy forecast to be supplied and the aggregrate estimated maxim demand for each power band.

(b) If the date in paragraph 5 above is on or after 1st April 1994 then only Power Band A shall be completed and if the said date is on or after 1st April 1998 then this paragraph shall cease to have effect.

Energy (GWb) Aggregate Maximum to be Supplied Number Power Band of Premises (A) not exceeding 0.1 MW NONE (B) exceeding 0.1 MW out not exceeding 1.0 MW NONE

8. A description of the system of electric lines and electrical plant by means of which the applicant intends to supply electricity, indicating which plant and lines are to be constructed and which are existing plant and lines, and further identifying any parts of that system which will not be owned by or otherwise in the possession or control of

Lines owned by:

The National Grid Company plc Eastern Electricity plc
East Midlands Electricity plc London Electricity plc Manweb plc Midlands Electricity plc Northern Electric plc NORWEB ok SEEBOARD pk Southern Electric ple South Wales Electricity plc South Western Electricity plc Yorkshire Electricity Group ple

Scottish Hydro-Electric plc Scottish Power plc 9. A statement of extent (if any) to which the applicant considers it necessary for powers

under Schedule 3 (compulsory acquisition of land etc.) and under Schedule 4 (other powers etc.) to the Act to be given through the licence for which he is applying: As laid down in the Public Electricity Supply Licence granted to SEEBOARD plc by

the Secretary of State on 26th March 1990.

10. Details of any licences held, applied for or being applied for by the applicant in respect of the generation, transmission or supply of electricity:

Public Electricity Supply Licence,

Private Electricity Supply Licence

Copies of maps relevant to this application have been lodged in accordance with Regulation 6 of the Electricity (Applications for Licences and Extensions of Licences)
Regulations 1940 at Regional Offices of the Office of Electricity Regulation. Copies are available for inspection by the public between 10a.m. and 4p.m. on any working day.

SM Wide, Administration Director and Company Secretary of SEEBOARD plc, Grand Avenue, Hove, East Sussez, BN3 21.S.

South China Post sells share stake From Lulu Yu in hong kong

applied for a listing on the publications in The News Cor-Hong Kong Stock Exchange poration portfolio. SCMPH of its shares to public and selfs books. institutional investors.

SCMPH to the United Overper cent, and Singapore Press Holdings, to buy 5 per cent. The News Corporation will stay the controlling share-

holder, with 51 per cent. The price of the shares offered will be the same in each case, said a statement by The News Corporation and

SCMPH. The South China Morning

ELDERS IXL's capital return

programme has been deferred

until it establishes terms and

conditions for new financing.

company secretary, said in a

statement, in response to a

letter from the Australian Stock Exchange (ASE), that

Elders' asset sales were progressing "broadly in line

with expectations" in its strat-

egy of becoming a single-

Negotiations on new financ-

ing facilities were also pro-

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return programme would be

made when they were set. The

ASE's letter was not released.

begun talks with the big banks

to establish a global facility to

refinance debt and a revised

capital return programme

would be announced when it

When it announced its

plans to restructure into a

single-purpose brewer in

March, the company said that

asset sales would bring a

capital return to shareholders

of 50 cents (23p) a share about

now and another 50 cents in

the next financial year, which

starts next month. (Reuter)

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was completed.

Elders said on May 11 it had

purpose brewing company.

Mr Charles Faggotter, the

SOUTH China Morning Post Post and its sister, the South (Holdings), a subsidiary of China Sunday Morning Post, The News Corporation, has are two of the most profitable through the sale of 35 per cent also publishes magazines and

"The basis of the applica-The News Corporation, tion is a proposal to offer for which owns The Times, is to sale 17.5 per cent of the issued sell a further 14 per cent of share capital in conjunction seas Bank, which is to buy 9 17.5 per cent with institutional and professional investors," the statement said.

Analysts value SCMPH at between HK\$4 billion and HK\$5 billion (£300 million to £380 million). This represents almost a doubling of the SCMPH market value when News took control in December 1986, after which the firm

down the economy.

West Germany growing at 4.4%

By COLIN NARBROUGH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

defying predictions of a slowdown, boomed at an annual growth rate of 4.4 per cent during the first quarter of this

reason for Washington's cur-

reat account to remain deeply

Treasury Secretary, has dis-

Official figures showed that the gross national product had expanded 2.5 per cent in real terms compared with the final quarter of 1989, putting Eutope's economic powerhouse in a good position to undertake its planned economic and monetary union with East

Germany. West Germany's performance, after eight years of impressive growth, contrasts sharply with Britain, where the Government's counter-

inflationary policy is slowing Despite the influx of close to

THE West German economy, three quarters of a million ethnic Germans in the past year, the West German unemployment rate last month fell from 7.3 per cent to 7 per cent - the lowest for eight years - thanks to the jobs boom affecting the whole

Many commentators have predicted that economic and monetary union between the two Germanies, scheduled to begin on July 1, will cause economic turbulence, generating inflation and forcing Bonn to raise taxes.

Although some slowdown is expected in the current quarter, forecasters are now looking for an annual West German growth rate for the whole of this year close to last year's 4 per cent.

i dividend. Growing inflation and wage demands add to threat of closures

Elders IXL programme Fall in gold price hits SA mines deferred

closure with the potential loss of thousands of jobs because of the falling world price of gold.

Gold was fixed at \$353.80-\$354.40 in London yesterday afternoon, down from \$356.80-\$357.30 on Wed-

Concern over increased Soviet activity in the gold market because of that country's debt problems, and recent waves of bullion selling from the Middle East, have undermined sentiment in the

The fall in price has cut the profitability of gold mining operations worldwide. The problem has been compounded in South Africa by intense cost pressures because of domestic inflation and mounting wage demands by

black workers. The average gold price re-ceived in rand terms last year increased by less than I per cent, at a time when average unit working costs for the South African industry rose by nearly 10 per cent.

Analysts estimate that at current gold prices almost 224

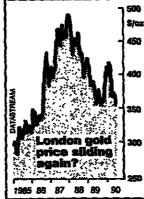
A NUMBER of South African tonnes of the country's total gold mines are under threat of annual output of 608 tonnes are uneconomic, and that between 50 and 100 tonnes of production may have to be abandoned unless the gold

price rises. South African gold mines rarely die, because of the socio-political implications within an industry that employs thousands of workers of all races, and on which towns and cities which surround their operations depend. However, the South African government may take a tougher

On Wednesday, it announced a commission of inquiry into the continued viability of East Rand Proprietary Mines, of the Rand Mines group, which is again asking for government help to save its mine and the surrounding Boksburg town.

Other mines and mining houses will be watching the outcome of the inquiry with more than a passing interest. If ERPM is allowed to die, the funeral bells will start to toll for others with equally pressing cases to plead.

Because of the sensitive facing a cost squeeze ERPM's while the political situation nature of gold to South Africa costs at the top end of the scale remains in flux.



and the industry's labour opportunities, mines under cost pressures have previously been able to rely on government assistance to bail them

If the authorities were to allow the rand to fall and an ounce in Australia. therefore allow the gold mines to reap a higher income for their product, the counter effect would be a rise in the domestic rate of inflation. But that is an economic corner \$171 an ounce. into which they do not wish to be forced.

Rand Mines operation, is also out of international flavour

are estimated at \$515 per ounce of gold after taking capital expenditure into ac count. Venterspost, another marginal mine, has a cost profile of \$445 an ounce. Three gold mines, Randfontein, Western Areas and Harmony, also face high

costs, but collectively account for 72 tonnes of annual production and are probably viewed as worth carrying for the time being, even though their costs, before capital expenditure, range between \$340 and \$389 an ounce. A survey by Gold Fields

Mineral Services, the London gold bullion research group. put average Western world mining costs at \$250 an ounce, and South African working costs at \$275 an ounce. This compares with \$206 an ounce for American mines and \$236

One of the lowest gold mining operations in South Africa is Gold Fields of South Africa's Driefontein mine, with average costs of about

London analysts add that South African gold mines Durban Deep, another share per se generally remain

Rise in cross-border EC deals

By OUR ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

acquisitions of EC companies favourite hunting ground, saw jumped 39 per cent in the first quarter of this year from the final quarter of 1989, according to Acquisitions Monthly. There were 517, up from

373, but a dearth of big bids in Britain cut the total value from £10.2 billion to just under £8 billion. Britain continued to be the prime target for takeovers,

with 84 acquisitions worth

billion. This narrowed Brit-

88 takeovers worth £1.87 billion, up from £1.57 billion in the previous quarter. Spain, in third place, recorded 59 takeovers, worth £1.13 billion, slightly down. Mr Philip Healy, AM's edi-

might be much more open for bids, the more robust economies of France and Spain now drew many buyers. Large and medium-sized companies, us- trepreneurs, Australia £3.3 billion, down from £5.8 ually privately-owned, were third, spending £1.06 billion

THE number of cross-border countries. France, the second considerable numbers in most continental countries. The Swedes were the biggest spenders on EC companies in

the first quarter, acquiring 53 for a total of £2.18 billion, after spending only £151 million in the previous quarter. France was the second largest tor, said that although Britain acquirer, buying 88 firms for might be much more open for £1.17 billion, slightly up on final-quarter 1989.

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Western fund seeks East breakthrough

EUROPEAN BUSINESS CORRESPONDENT

THE Austro-Hungary Fund, launched by Merrill Lynch, has become the first Western company to seek a listing on an Eastern European ex-change. The fund, a \$50 million investment company, will seek a quote on the Budapest market.

The news comes in the same week as Ibusz, the Hungary travel company, became the first Eastern bloc firm to declare its intention to list in

Officially the Merrill Lynch fund is designed to split its investments equally between Austria and Hungary, although in practice it will be increasingly difficult to differentiate between the two markets since Austria accounts for about a third of foreign investment in

Budapest already operates an embryonic stock exchange, which will receive a boost later this month after its official launch. Ibusz will be the first new entrant, but the Hungarian State Property Agency (SPA) has promised a massive programme of privatizations. This year the SPA plans to privatize 60 companies, yielding \$600 million. Next year there will be an additional



Antall: promises

lion and \$1.9 billion. Eventually about 85 per cent of state-owned assets should go

into private hands. It is principally these privatization stocks that the Austro-Hungary Fund intends to invest in. The new fund is further evidence that Hungary is turn-ing into the West's favourite East European country. The pro-Hungarian sentiment has been echoed by M Michel

Camdessus, chairman of the International Monetary Fund, who has consistently applauded the bold privatization measures promised by the new government of Mr Joszef Antall, Hungary's prime Mr Peter Kysel, managing

director of Lloyds Investment Management International, who will be managing the fund, and himself a Czech, 100, worth between \$1.3 bil- also prefers Hungary from an

Mr Kysel regards privatizations as the single most effective means of restoring the Eastern European economies as they provide a fast route to a free market as well as generating the necessary funds over a sufficient period of time to help Eastern European gov-

ernments repay their debts. In the short run, Hungary's industry is expected to benefit from a comparative wage cost amount to only 10 per cent of those of Austria or West Germany and only 30 per cent of East Germany. Over time -Lloyds Investment thinks five years - these differentials will narrow substantially. Until then, however, the rates of return should be much above the EC avera

The fund is geared towards

European institutional investors and so-called high net worth individuals. Merrill Lynch admitted that high rates of return go with a higher degree of risk. In Hungary's case, the risk is perhaps smaller than elsewhere in Eastern Europe as the new government has a five-year mandate, longer than other Eastern European governments. Such time will be necessary to embark on the boldest reforms, even though they may turn out to be unpopular at

Revenue fall at LBC blamed for downturn

Crown slips below £3m

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK A SLUMP in advertising revenue at LBC, the London radio station, has been blamed for a fall in interim profits at Crown Communications, its

LBC, which has lost advertising revenue to its rival Capital Radio since 1987, when it was boasting 20 per cent sales growth, has reported

a 1 per cent fall in revenue for

the six months to end-March. Mr Christopher Chataway, Crown's chairman, said: "The slowdown in advertising revenue came at a difficult time for LBC - before its two new split-frequency services were established and while it was still operating in inefficient premises with a high-cost structure.

Crown's interim pre-tax profits are down from £3.79 million to £2.95 million, while earnings per share slipped from 10.2p to 7.1p. The interim dividend is unchanged at 1.5p.

The figures were also hit by a £4 million exceptional charge relating to the cost of launching LBC's split frequency. This was softened by a £5 million exceptional gain on acquisitions and disposals of stakes in other radio companies. Mr Chataway said Crown Television, a new division that has won a five-year



made a strong profits be felt until the next financial

contribution. Crown said the interim results have not benefited from recent cost-cutting meacontract to supply British sures, which involved 70 Satellite Broadcasting with a redundancies. Mr Chataway year given volatility in the 35-bulletin daily news service, said: "The benefit won't really advertising market.

Chataway: benefits of cost-cutting moves not yet felt year, when we expect costs to

be reduced by £2 million." He added that it was too early to make any forecasts about the second half of the

HK Telecom rises 20% to £332m on. higher turnover

From Luly Yu in hong kong

less's 59 per cent-owned over the next three years," he offshoot in the colony, posted said. "These investments will net profits up 20 per cent to HK\$4.36 billion (£332 million) for the year to end-March, in line with market expectations.

The group, which is Hong Kong's largest quoted firm, accounting for about 10 per cent of the stock market capitalization, saw turnover rise by 19 per cent to HK\$14.13 billion on strong growth in international phone and data services.

Overseas telephone services produced revenues of HK\$7.97 billion, 23 per cent higher than a year ago and made up 56 per cent of total turnover. Another area of rapid growth was in the provision of computer and engineering services, which saw revenues jump 40 per cent to HK\$611 million.

Operating profit rose 18 per cent to HK\$4.41 billion while earnings per share jumped 20 per cent to 39.1 cents. A final dividend of 15 cents a share makes the total for the year 24 per cent higher at 28 cents.

Mr Mike Gale, the chief executive, said the company was planning to invest some HK\$3 billion in the telephone system this year. "Capital

HONG KONG Telecommunications, Cable and WireHK\$8.4 billion is planned over the next three years," he but also that Hong Kong w continue to have one of the best telecommunications systems in the world."

More than 154,000 new telphone lines were installed last year, making 2.3 million for the 5.6 million men, women and children in the colony. Half the lines have international direct dialling and there are now 88,550 fax lines, 35 per cent more than a year ago.

He said he was confident about the long-term future of Hong Kong despite events which led to the suppression of the pro-democracy protests in China last year.

Cable and Wireless recently completed the sale of a 20 per cent stake to the Pekingcontrolled China International Trust and Investment Corporation, but is still the largest shareholder of Hong Kong Telecom.

Analysts at Baring Segurities say profits for the year ending March 1991 should be 19 per cent higher, with growth running at between 15 per cent and 20 per cent until the end of the decade.

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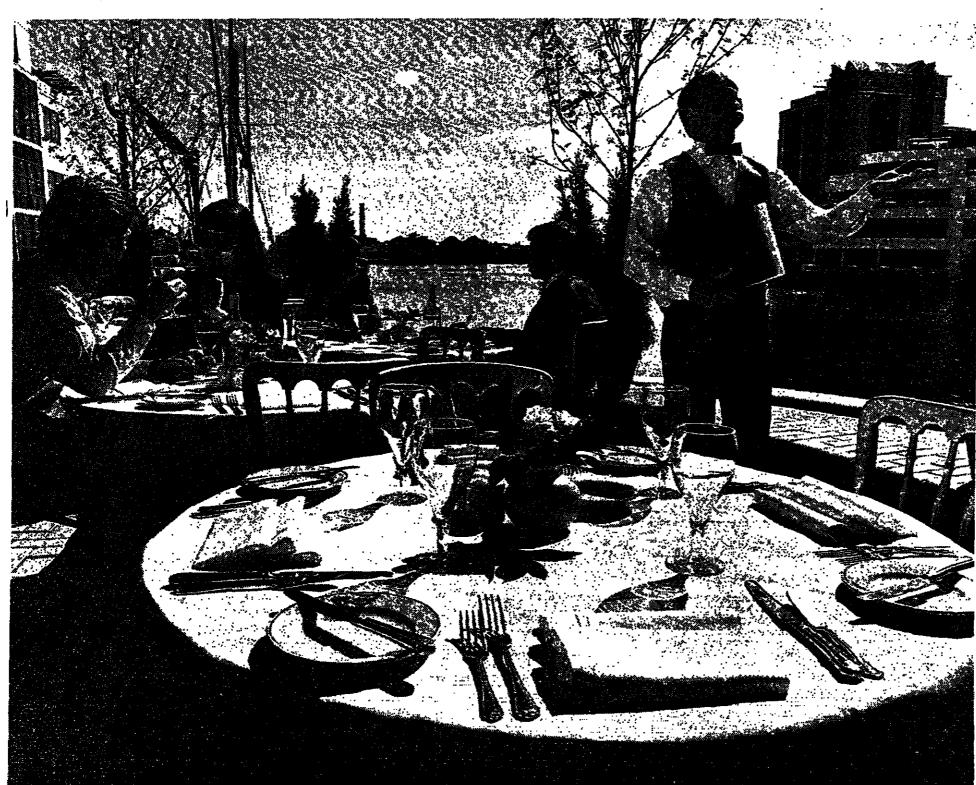
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Finland	97.5	-1.0		0.0	3.9	-0.2	6.2
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Dangers of rescue operation after failure of US thrifts

the retiring head of the US Resolution Trust Corporation, has taken a gamble on the \$20 billion in commercial real estate that he must sell.

As chairman of the organization established last year to wind up failed savings and loans institutions, or thrifts, he has cut the appraised market value of this real estate by 15 per cent in the hope of attracting buyers.

However, assuming sales go through at 25 per cent below the value at which the property was valued when taken on by the government, they will further dampen a property market teetering on recession, endanger already weak money-centre bank loan books and, in the process, may help to create a credit crunch that could force a slowing US economy into recession.

Against this, the RTC must offload its assets as soon as possible because it must borrow the bulk of the funds it uses to repay depositors in the failed thrifts, and each month's delay adds \$2 billion to a bail-out programme already estimated at \$500 billion over 30 years.

The balancing act underlines the financial disaster that the US government has created by its mismanagement of government control. the thrift industry, through misguided reliance on deregultion at all costs amid sometimes blatant corruption.

The industry is not totally bankrupt, with two-thirds of the 2,898 institutions in relatively good shape.

The RTC has foreclosed 423 institutions with assets totalling \$220 billion and disposed of 93 this year. However, another 570 thrifts are classified as close to death, with some large institutions included in this figure.

Mr Donald Regan, the former Treasury Secretary, said when signing a deregulation Act for the industry in 1982: "I think we've hit the jackpot." ited the property and bonds

made in Washington, magnified by individuals who went wild with their new freedom. In an interview with The

Times, Mr Seidman acknowledged the risk he is taking, saying "The real estate market will be subject to the sale of more property on the market at one time than in any other time in our history." However, he was confident that it could be done without calamity in the economy.

Commercial real estate vacancy levels are now estimated at an average of 20 per cent. Banks have lent at record levels in the worst affected regions, New England, Texas, Florida and California, and are expected to cut back, threatening a credit crunch and a further fall in prices. By cutting the value of its

property in these regions by 15 per cent, the RTC has opened the way for its entire property portfolio to be sold at 25 per cent below the past value. This is because, by law, Mr Seidman cannot sell at 5 per cent below appraised market value in distressed areas, so if you take 15 per cent below the 95 per cent level and then add in the 5 per cent allowance, the taken by Mr Seidman under- RTC property is worth just 75 per cent of the stated value when failed thrifts came under

> "The RTC was supposed to last for seven years," Mr Seidman said. "If we get rid of this land by then, it would be a major accomplishment."

> The RTC is involving private real estate agents in the regions affected, and has produced computer discs listing its 36,000 properties for sale. An even harder task is selling the junk bond portfolio of \$3.5 billion that the RTC controls, courtesy of failed

value in the relatively illiquid junk bond market. The US government inher-

thrifts. Mr Seidman said that

it involved 3,000 issues, only

30 of which have any market



Hard task: Seidman, clearing up the thrifts fiasco

individual investors. It must pay the difference between assets and liabilities of institutions that failed, which at the count totalled \$155

he problem will, at the very least, soak up all the money that the government hoped to save through defence cuts, and, at worst, could push the US economy into recession at a time when, with an exploding federal deficit, the US can least afford it.

Mr Seidman said: "The thrift industry had a basic weakness, it borrowed short term and lent long. This was OK when you could control

because it guarantees bank interest rates, but in the late and thrift deposits to protect 1970s inflation increased at such a rate this was

> "The government's solution was to allow the thrifts to go into other businesses and naner over the worsening position by a bunch of accounting rules which didn't represent the true picture.

"With the new rules, twothirds of the industry lived like they used to and one-third went for high risk."

The most notable example of the latter was Lincoln Savings and Loan, run by Mr Charles Keating, who contributed heavily to the political campaigns of some senior politicians, apparently to help to prevent any regulatory crack-

years, Lincoln grew from assets of \$1 billion to \$4 billion. Mr Seidman says it now has a shortfall of \$2 billion.

Mr Seidman said: "With no controls, the thrift industry had to charge high rates to attract funds (some as high as 13 per cent) and this meant it had to take further risks to make money which explained why they went for junk bonds and real estate in markets where prices had already risen too quickly.

oth sides of politics had blocked preventive action that could have kept bail-out costs to about a twentieth of

"The Democrats said the thrift industry was the bastion of home loans to little America and should be helped, and the Republicans believed government should not interfere with business," Mr Seidman

"Both sides failed to see if you have deposit insurance vou also need standards on how the money is used."

The US Treasury is working on an overhaul of this deposit system which presently guarantees \$945 billion in thrift deposits and \$2,500 billion in bank deposits.

Mr Seidman believes a radical overhaul and perhaps abolition is long overdue.

He blames the thrift industry for fuelling over-capacity in US real estate and for the rapid expansion of the junk bond market.

While noting the dangers his actions may have on the US banking sector, Mr Seidman said: "Clearly our real estate sales could hurt the market but it is hard to predict by how much because we don't know how quickly we can sell the land."

But he noted: "Ultimately it is the role of the Federal Reserve to keep the banking industry alive by the way it sets monetary policy."

John Durie

BUSINESS LETTERS

by managers and not by the

ultimate owners of these

shares. What is needed,

though, is the correction of

these flaws - perhaps some

NEDs should be elected on a

one-shareholder/one-vote

franchise? - rather than the

elimination of a potentially

important restraint upon the

executive oligarchies which

run our economy.

NOEL FALCONER

223 Bramhall Moor Lane,

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The current short term

financial situation facing the

country means that it is not

only the Square Mile which

badly needs something to cheer about. If there is any

part of the country which

receives bad publicity when-

ever there is a down turn then

it is the Docklands area. The

benefit to be derived from

locating the new bank within

the Docklands area both to

large and small businesses

alike and to the general thrust

of reawakening the Docklands

would be a much needed fillip

Clearly the Square Mile and

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to offer. It has to be critical to

the future not only of London

but also of the country that no

schism should be created be-

tween the City and Dock-

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competition from overseas to

concentrate all our minds.

Docklands Business Club,

Letters to The Times Business

Yours faithfully,

P. GLYN-JONES

chairman

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LONDON E14.

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Yours faithfully

Hazel Grove,

of recent events).

Stockport

'Imperfect' election of NEDs candidate to stand, and then

From Mr Noel Falconer Sir, I must dispute Mr Moturam's comment (Busi- by institutional blocks voted ness letter, May 30) that nonexecutive directors are "an unnecessary encumbrance". The wrong people are elected, by imperfect methods, but their role is real and their remuneration irrelevant.

Shareholders have the right and duty to guide the companies they own. How else can they honour this than by appointing NEDs of like

True, this is rarely possible. The mechanics of nominating a director make it difficult for an alternative to the board's

Docklands site for new bank a fillip

From P. Glyn-Jones

Sir, Sir Hugh Bidwell, Lord Mayor of London, was reported earlier this week as having expressed over the possibility of the European Bank Reconstruction and Development being located in Docklands, rather than within the Square Mile.

With all due respect to Sir Hugh I would see his concerns (as reported) as being

misolaced. Surely London should be delighted that it has been selected by 42 nations as the natural location for this vital new institution in recognition of the continuing standing of London as the financial capital of the world.

It had always been the hope of those concerned with the redevelopment of Docklands that it would become part of this financial capital, not a competitor to it.

The space available in Docklands has enabled development to take place according to designs which suit current and anticipated banking practice without the constraints of the antique street pattern which inhibits the free development of buildings within the Square Mile.

Current means of communication enable banking and and Finance section can be general business practice to be sent by fax on 071-782 5112.

Bureaucratic delusions he is defeated by proxies, and

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From Mr R. N. G. Blower

Sir, I find it most informative that those who are keenest on an independent central bank, either in the UK or in Europe, are those who have power but no responsibility - the bureaucrats both here and in Brussels. It is always tempting as a

bureaucrat to imagine how perfect the world would be without outside interference. But we must not let ourselves be deluded by their logic. Things do not go better if elected representatives are kept out of the truly important aspects of government like fighting inflation. Economic policy, in the absence of perfect information, inevitably involves judgement. Those who are best motivated to make such judgements are those who risk losing their jobs - and not just their performance bonuses - if they are wrong. The people in Eastern Europe have found this out the hard way. It is paradoxical against this background that the argument for bureaucrat-run central banks has gained intellectual respectability in the EEC, whilst everywhere else it has been lost.

Yours faithfully R. N. G. BLOWER 66 Galba Court. Augustus Close. Brentford Dock. Middlesex.

Pensions question

From Mr F. M. F. Walker Sir, Of the thousand economists polled by Messrs. Ricketts and Shoesmith, 640 do not see inflation as the major threat.

Could we please be told how many of those have inflationproof pensions? Yours faithfully. FM FWALKER 7 Cassiobury Park Avenue, Watford. Hertfordshire. June 4.

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Three days ago, a 3 per cent reduction in the net asset value at Great Portland Estates was enough to stop a rising market in its tracks. But yesterday, London shrugged off the news of a 7 per cent fall in NAV at British Land and

Dealers returned from their Derby day diversions and took the view that London had fallen too far behind Wall Street on Wednesday. Encouraged by a stronger performance overnight in Tokyo, the FT-SE 100 index June futures position opened at a big premium, to push under-

lying share prices ahead again. Once the futures market had reversed an early fall, buyers were keen not be left out of yet another upward surge. By early afternoon, the FT-SE 100 had put on more than 30 points as dealers anticipated a strong opening by Wall Street. In the event, as the property sector bounced however, Wall Street's initial gains proved modest and short-lived, knocking some of 334p. the gloss off London's perfor-

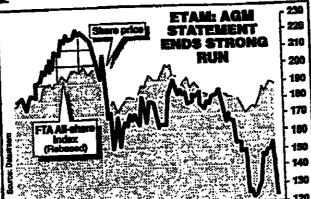
1,904.0. After a dullish start, gilts joined the party in the afternoon, responding to com-ments made by Mr John Major, the Chancellor, in the House of Commons that it would be the underlying rate of inflation that would be critical in the timing of Brit-ain's membership of the Euroexchange rate pean

mechanism. Stripping out poll tax and mortgages, Britain's underlying inflation rate is 6.75 per cent, not that far above European rates of about 5.25 per cent. The only problem is that Britain's underlying rate, like the retail price index, is still going up.

Still, helped by a strong pound, the story was enough to put about a quarter of a point on most medium and long-dated issues.

Among property shares, British Land tumbled 15p on the news of the fall in both assets and profits. However,

Speculators had been hop-ing that British Land's chair-The FT-SE 100 index closed man, Mr John Ritblat, would 19.9 up at 2,378.4 with turn- announce a new restructuring over more than 590 million package to replace the one shares being traded, an ironi- opposed by shareholders at cally high level for a day that the end of last year. But while saw Laurence Prust join the Mr Ritblat went out of his way to 508p. growing list of low-turnover to say that he was still looking casualties. The FT 30 index at ways of maximizing returns at Smith New Court said he



likely for some time. fited from renewed hopes that next six months."

for shareholders, he stressed was taking advantage of the that no announcement was sector's strength to sell stock. He said: "I am selling every-The other leading property thing. The property sector is investment companies bene-

all the bad news was now in share prices. Great Portland added 6p to 249p, Greycoat like was not just gloomy property news that was ignored by the market. The day

Abbey National rose 5p to 209p as the big four clearing banks all lost ground. Mr John Wriglesworth, an analyst at UBS Phillips & Drew and a long-standing Abbey bull, is now more cautions. He has cut his interim forecast from £300 million to back in line with the rest of the market BL ended 1p better at squeezed margins. A time to take profits, he suggests.

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Securities was up 8p to 509p. Bucking the trend that has

existed since Land Securities' results last month, MEPC closed the gap with a 14p rise

However, Mr David Jones

rose 9p to 409p, Hammerson also saw receivers appointed at the Colorell home furnishings group and at A Goldberg, the Glasgow retailer.

Coloroll, which at one point this year traded at 81p, was suspended at 6½p, while Goldberg was suspended at

37p.
There was more bad news

Properties and oils move up of a profits warning from Mr Alan Howard, the chairman of in Tokyo Etam, the high street fashion retailer. The opening months of 1990, he said, had shown

the high street suffering from

and the poll tax. Mr Howard

for the full year.

33p to 120p.

speculative shopping and arsaid that in the current cli-bitrage-linked buying of the mate, a loss now looked likely cash shares index, brokers said. The Nikkei index closed at the interim stage, although he was confident that the group would still be profitable up 239 points, or 0.73 per cent, at 33,192.50 after advancing by 31.88 on Wednesday. Oil, property and Last year, Etam made pre-tax profits of £17.5 million. As a result of Mr Howard's as investors' fears about the

Mr Jeff Bahrenburg, a marman Hutton Asia Inc, said: "I don't think the current rally is

The Etam gloom dragged down Burton, whose high street subsidiaries trade alongyields would have to drop or side Etam stores. Burton slid corporate forecasts improve, 10p to 164p. Next was unneither of which are likely, he changed at 64p. Boots eased 2p to 296p despite better than expected pre-tax profits of £358 million.

Dealers were worried about the performance of Boots's £900 million acquisition, Ward White. Lloyds Chemists rose 6p to 179p. The big retailers defied the

gloom, Kingfisher adding 9p to 342p and Marks and Spencer improving 31/2p to speculative buying was the

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million. Etam, a strong market over the last month, relapsed ket strategist at Shearson Lehlikely to be sustained." For further gains, bond

> added. The benchmark Nikkei index opened steady but soon rose by more than 200 points on speculative buying and talk of takeover bids. The index was off its highs

by midday, but arbitrageurs buying the cash index in the afternoon helped it to close nearer the day's high of more than 200 points above Wednesday's close of 32,953.50. In the absence of fresh themes or new market factors,

only strong force in the generally directionless market. Mr Masahiko Tsuyuzaki, the chief trader at Tachibana Securities, said: "It was a trader-to-trader market. Only professionals." Volume was moderate at 650 million

shares, against 600 million on Wednesday. Nippon Fire & Marine Insurance surged to a 1990 high in the morning on talk that a big speculator is targeting it

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Improved profit from operations Increased dividend

RW Rowland, Chief Executive

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It is with pleasure that Lonrho presents the half year figures for 1990.

Profit before tax from operations has increased by 34% compared to 1989, (excluding the sale of the bulk whisky stocks). Earnings per share increased by 20% on a comparable basis.

The second interim dividend has been increased by an effective 10% as a dividend of 5.0 pence per share has been declared on an increased share capital following the 1 for 10 capitalisation issue in April 1990.

The Group's mineral extraction and refining activities made a significant contribution to the increase in profits through sales of platinum group metals and gold. Hondo Oil & Gas also enjoyed In the United Kingdom higher profits were made by the Group's hotels and Scottish newspaper interests, although the manufacturing and motor companies have been affected by the downturn in the Visit of Visit of

In Europe, both Kühne & Nagel and Krupp Lonrho continue to move ahead. Lonrho is looking in the United Kingdom economy. at a number of proposals to expand its activities in Europe and the Group is already one of the largest British investors in the Federal Republic of Germany.

The Group's companies in Africa traded very well in the first half of the year, with a particularly good performance from the Sugar activities.

HALF YEAR RESULTS

The unaudited results of the Lonrho Group of companies in respect of the six months ended 31 March 1990 are as follows:—		6 months March 1989
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Earnings per share are based on an increased share capital and have been adjusted for the capitalisation issue in

Extraordinary charges — £12 million (1989—profits—£50 million).

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[Speeches June 7]

Minister's decision not protected by statute Before Lord Bridge of Harwich. Lord Griffiths, Lord Ackner and

A refusal by the Secretary of State for Education under para-graph 1(1)(b) of Schedule 5 to the Education (Teachers) Regulations (SI 1982 No 106) to grant qualified teacher status to a Hong Kong trained teacher on the ground that her qualification was not comparable with speci-fied United Kingdom qualifications, if found to be indirect discrimination under section 1(i)(b) of the Race Relations Act 1976, could not be rendered lawful by section 41(1)(b) of the Act on the ground that the decision had been taken in pursuance of a statutory instrument, since the decision involved the application of administrative discretion.

The House of Lords so held in allowing an appeal by Mrs Teresa Lee Ping Li Hampson from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Parker and Lord Justice Nourse, Lord Justice Balcombe nting) (The Times December 15, 1988; [1989] ICR 179) which had upheld the dismissal by the Employment Appeal Tribunal ([1988] ICR 278) of her appeal against a finding by an industrial tribunal that she had not been unlawfully discriminated against by the Department of Education and Science on the ground of her race. The case was remitted to an industrial tribunal.

Mr Stephen Sedley, QC and Mr Robin Allen for Mrs Hampson; Mr John Laws and Mr Timothy Hewitt for the

LORD LOWRY said that Mrs Hampson, a Hong Kong Chinese woman teacher, had alleged that the department had ng of sections 1(1)(b) ... (a) a person who has (b) of the 1976 Act successfully completed a course e secretary of state did which (i) is for the degree of B the meaning of sections 1(1)(b) and 12(1)(b) of the 1976 Act

Before Mr Justice Wood, Mr G.

A. Peers and Ms D. Warwick

A recommendation that expul-

sion from a trade union should

be effected in the future could

amount to a "determination" to

expel an individual within the

meaning of section 3(5)(a) of the Employment Act 1988 provided

to whether the expulsion would

The Employment Appeal Tri-bunal so held when allowing an

appeal from a decision of a London industrial tribunal last

November that, on agreed facts,

int by the applicant,

they had jurisdiction to uphold

Mr Peter Webber, that unjustifi-

able disciplinary action had

been taken against him by the

union within the meaning of

provides: "(1) An individual

who is or has at any time been a

member of a trade union shall

have the right not to be un-justifiably disciplined by that

"(5) For the purposes of this

section an individual is disciplined by a trade union if a

determination is made, or purportedly made, under the

rules of the union or is made by

an official of the union or by a

number of persons including such an official (a) that that

individual should be expelled

from the union or from any

branch or section of the union

... (f) that that individual should be subjected to any other

Mr Patrick Elias, QC, for the

MR JUSTICE WOOD said

that the relevant sections of the

Employment Act 1988 came

into force on July 26, 1988. The

applicant was a member of a branch of the T & G W U.

Following a dispute in July 1977 the branch wrote to the

applicant purporting to suspend him and informing him that a recommendation would be

made to the regional committee for his expulsion from the

A recommendation to that

effect was subsequently made to the union's executive council. On July 27 that recommenda-

tion was upheld by the regional

committee. In May 1989 the applicant had been refused per-

union: Mr J. Kellett, adviser, for

section 3(1) of the 1988 Act.

[Judgment June 7]

in fact take place.

qualifying her to be employed ere as a teacher.

The question was whether the discrimination complained of, assuming that it had occurred, would be saved from being unlawful discrimination by sec-tion 41(1)(b) of the Act. If "yes" the claim must in any event be dismissed; if "no", the case must be remitted to the indus-trial tribunal for further

Section 41(1) provided:
"Nothing in Parts II to IV [of
the Act] shall render unlawful of discrimination done - (a) in pursuance of any enactment or Order in Council: or (b) in pursuance of any instrument enactment by a minister . . . or (c) in order to comply with any condition or requirement imposed by a minister ... by virue of any enactment."

Mrs Hampson had taken a full-time two-year initial teacher training course in Hong Kong. She thereby became qualified to teach in Hong Kong and did so for eight years. She had then taken a further one-year teacher training course in Hong Kong.

After teaching for another year, she was from 1980 to 1984 an inspector for the Education Department in Hong Kong. In 1984 she came to this country and applied to the department to be recognized as qualified to teach in state schools in England

In order to be thus recognized, she needed notification from the secretary of state that she was a qualified teacher in accordance ith regulation 13 of and Schednle 5 to the 1982 Regulations. Schedule 5 provided: "1(1) A person shall be qualified to be employed as a teacher . . . for the purpose of regulation 13... (2) [if he is one of the following]

mendation could be implemented he presented his originating application relying on the determination to expel

him in May and July 1989. The industrial tribunal found

that the decision to expel him occurred in May 1989, after the commencement of the Act. But

there was some ambiguity in the

way in which the tribunal expressed their decision on that issue and the union should be

permitted to call further

The main issue was whether

the recommendation of July 27,

although not implemented, was

a "determination" within the meaning of section 3(5). The

industrial tribunal had found in

favour of the applicant on that

sible for a tribunal to assess

compensation until that expul-

alternatively, that while the

applicant remained a union

member he or she would 10t

Further, it seemed unlikely

that Parliament intended o give

an applicant a right to issue an originating application, in re-spect of an act which might

never take place.

ever take place.

Approaching the destion of the protection with those policy

decisions in mind before a

decision could constitute a determination to expel within

the provisions of ection 3(5)(a),

it must be one which achieved a

disposal of that issue, one which

A decision that an expulsion could be effected upon a condition a dar in the future would

not rende it any the less an effective extermination, but the

facts in the present case in-dicated that there remained an

uncertainty whether or not the applicant was to be expelled in

that the recommendation was still to go through the general executive council that it should be put into operation.

The appeal would be allowed

and the matter remitted to proceed upon the issue of the

refusal to allow the applicant to attend a branch meeting in May

1989. Leave to appeal would be

Solicitors: Pattinson &

granted.

not contan a condition

have suffered any damage or

The remedy for unjustifiable discipline was by way of declaration and compensation and it seemed that in the case of commissioner that had upheld a complision it would be seened.

Intended action of

trade union

is a determination

not approve a certain course of teacher training which she had completed in Hong Kong as parable academic award of in each case, either a university in the United Kingdom or of the CNAA . . . (b) a person who -(i) has successfully completed a course (whether within or out-side the United Kingdom) ap-

proved as comparable to a

course within sub-paragraph
(a)..." informed Mrs Hampson that her application had been refused on the ground that the Hong Kong course was not comparable to a course within

paragraph 2(a) as it was not a three-year course or of a suf-Their Lordships were con-cerned with a short point of construction as to whether the

words "in pursuance of any instrument" in section 41(1)(b) referred only to acts done in necessary performance of an express obligation contained in the instrument, the narrow construction, or also to acts done in exercise of a power or discretion conferred by the in-

Section 41 had introduced over a wide field, namely the subject matter covered by Parts Il to IV of the 1976 Act, as exceptions to the Act's general purpose of outlawing discrimination, five cases in which an act of discrimination should not be unlawful.

In view of the wide sweep of those provisions the exceptions ought therefore to be narrowly rather than widely construed where the language was susceptible of more than one meani A dictionary was not by itself the most reliable guide to statetory interpretation, but it served to remind one of the community accepted meaning of "pursu-ance" as "pursuit", the action of following out a process or the action of proceeding m accordance with a plan, direction

Before Mr Justee Millett

A joint venure agreement be-

tween J. Sinsbury plc and a Belgian company to set up Homebase stores did not de-

prive Sairsbury's of entitlement to group elief under section 258

of the Inome and Corporation Taxes Ast 1970 for trading losses

subsequently incurred by Homelase Ltd.

the agreement and an option agreement giving the Belgian company a right to acquire additional shares in the future.

Sain bury's had at all material

times the requisite beneficial

ownership of 75 per cent of the

Homebase share capital so as to qualify for the relief.

the Chancery Division in allow-

for the relief for accounting periods from 1981 to 1985

Sainsbury's and a Belgian company, GB-INNO-BM SA, were

to set up and manage Homebase

stores as a joint venture. There under 75 per cent of the ordinary share capital of Homebase Ltd was held by the

taxpayer company and the remaining 25 per cent by GB.

An option agreement of the same date gave GB the option to

purchase, and the taxpayer com-

pany an option to require GB to

purchase, a further 5 per cent of

the issued share capital of Homebase after five years.

The price payable by GB was

to be the paid-up value of the

shareholding increased by an-nual interest and decreased by

any dividend paid on them.

Neither option was ever ex-

ercised and the option agreement was abandoned in 1985.

for trading losses.

Section 258 of the 1970 Act

ade provision for group relief

Sections 28 and 29 of the

Finance Act 1973 introduced

anti-avoidance provisions

qualifying entitlement to the relief. By section 28(2) a parent

company to qualify for relief had to be "beneficially entitled

to not less that 75 per cent...of any profits available for dis-tribution to equity holders of the

subsidiary company, and ...

beneficially entitled to not less

than 75 per cent ... of any assets of the subsidiary com-

nounting to some £25 million.

By an agreement in 1979,

Mr Justice Millett so held in

Notvithstanding the terms of

[Judgment Juie 6]

that, if the discriminatory ad was specified in an enactment. Order or instrument, but not otherwise, it was done in pursuance of that enactment,

Order or instrument and protected by section 41. It was, however, the consideration of the wider context that demonstrated the need to adopt he narrow construction, since the wide construction was seen to be irreconcilable with the purpose and meaning of the Act. The acts not only of the Crown but of local authorities and a large number of statutory bodies, including the governing

bodies of some (but not all) universities would achieve virtual immunity ander the wide mastruction. The approval of a course as "comparable to a course within sub-paragraph (a)" involved the application of a requirement (whether established or ad hoc) which was based on admin-istrative practice and discretion

and was not a requirement laid down by the regulations. Therefore, the requirement of a courst consisting of three consecutive years training, assuming that it was discriminators and also not justifiable under section I(1)(b)(ii) of the Act, was not protected by section/41(1)(b).

There was a sound argument,

based on public policy, for dawing the line in that way. To edopt the narrow construction discrimination was outlawed (or under section 1(1)(b)(ii)) unless it had been sanctioned by If the wide construction were

correct, a wide and undefined area of discrimination would exist, immune from challenge save, in very exceptional circumstances, through the medium of judicial review. The majority in the Court of

Anneal had rejected the wide

J. Sainsbury pt v O'Counor pany available for distribution up before the exercise of the (Inspector of Trees) 10 its equity holders on a option the taxonaer common.

Section 28 of the 1973 Act was

Mr Peter Whiteman, QC and Mr Brian Green for Sainsbury's; Mr Andrew Park, QC and Mr

Alan Moses, QC for the Crown.

said that the question was whether at any material time

Homebase qualified as a 75 per

cent subsidiary of the taxpayer

1 Had the special commissioner

been correct to hold that, not-

withstanding the option agree-ment and the restrictions

attached to its shareholding by

the principal agreement, the

taxpayer company was the "beneficial owner" of the whole

of its 75 per cent shareholding as

2 Whether the commissioner

was correct in holding that the

option agreement was an

that paragraph 5 of Schedule 12 to the 1973 Act had the effect of

causing the taxpaver company

to fail to satisfy the additional requirement for the relief im-

posed by section 28(2) of that

The leading authority on the neaning of beneficial owner-

ship" was Wood Preservation

Ltd v Prior ([1969] 1 WLR

1077). Relying on that decision the Crown's case stood or fell by

the presence of the option

taxpayer company's beneficial ownership of the Homebase shares of GB's call option?

An option was not a con-

cable offer which was open to

acceptance by the exercise of the

option. In the meantime, the grantor was under a contractual

obligation not to put it out of his power to do what he had offered

Subject thereto he retained,

not only equitable ownership, but also all the right of beneficial

enjoyment normally attaching to equitable ownership.

The taxpayer company had irrevocably offered to sell 5 per cent of the Homebase shares to GB. But, unlike the taxpayer in

the Wood Preservation case, it

What was the effect on the

arrangement" of such a nature

quired by section 258 of the

Two questions of law had

сопрапу.

1970 Act.

MR JUSTICE MILLETT

to its equity holders on a option the taxpayer company winding-up".

supplemented by the provisions of paragraph 5 of Schedule 12 to pany was entitled to include the

construction or, indeed, of any specific alternative interpretation of "in pursuance of". They appeared, however, to have held that the secretary of

state had acted, as no doubt he did, in pursuance of the regulations when he discharged the duty of considering and the further duty of deciding Mrs Hampson's application. There-fore, they had held, his allegedly discriminatory act was pro-tected by section 41(1)(b).

It was that reasoning that did not commend itself to Lord Justice Balcombe and that his Lordship found himself unable to accept.
It disregarded the fact that in

order to decide the application one way or the other, the secretary of state had first to set up and apply a non-statutory criterion the setting up and application of which involved istrative discretion and led to the discriminatory act com-20 beniste

The fallacy of that approach could be recognized when one reflected that almost every discretionary decision, such as that which was involved in the appointment, promotion and dismissals of individuals in, say, local government, the police, the National Health Service and the public sector of the teaching profession, was taken against a statutory background which imposed a duty on someone, just as the regulations imposed a dury

To apply the reasoning of the majority in the Court of Appeal to the decisions mentioned would give them the protection achieve results which no mem ber of the Court of Appeal would be likely to have thought acceptable.

Lord Bridge, Lord Griffiths and Lord Ackner agreed. Solicitors: Hodge Jones & Allen. St Pancras; Treasury

per cent of the distributions.

net assets of Homebase, and

trading profits if any, in its

consolidated accounts subject only to deduction for the 25 per

cent (not 30 per cent) minority

uitable ownership of the 75 per cent shareholding carried with it

full rights of beneficial enjoy-ment of both capital and in-

come, defeasible by the exercise

As the commissioner had

pertinently observed: the effect

of an option on the ownership of

the subject matter was con-ditional on its exercise. His

decision on the first question

Prior to 1973 it was a simple

matter to satisfy the require-ments of section 258 while at the

cent shareholding of its normal

to Parliament: section 28(2) of the 1973 Act imposed the two

additional requirements for

It was the Crown's case that so

long as the option agreement was in force, paragraph 5(1) of Schedule 12, read in the light of

the assumptions required to be

made by paragraph 5(3), caused the taxpayer company not to satisfy the additional section

That was an unpromising

argument: the Homebase share

carried no special rights. The taxpayer company's beneficial

entitlement to not less that 75

per cent of the profits available for distribution and the assets available on a winding up was

co-extensive with its beneficial ownership of the shares

Paragraph 5 had effect only to

supplement the additional requirements of section 28(2) and not the original require-

The option agreement was not an "arrangement" of the kind described in paragraph 5(3) so that the assumption directed by that provision did not have to be made. The coordinate was

be made. The conclusion was

that the taxpayer company was

entitled to the relief throughout

ent was in force.

Burgin & Warrens; Solicitor of Inland Revenue.

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putes to arbitration in accordance with the Rules of Arbitration of the Federation of Oils, Seeds and Fats Association Ltd (the FOSFA Rules).

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of the letters of credit. stituted fresh proceedings claiming restitution of so much of the amounts paid to Siporex under the performance bonds as ex-

breaches of contract. Rule 2 of the FOSFA Rules laid down various time limits within which, according to party v to institute arbitration proceedings had to give notice of his hardship suffered by a party to no fault with the Court of claim to the other party with the an arbitration agreement who Appeal's exercise of discretion.

Court's power to extend time for arbitration

Comdel Commodities Ltd v Siporex Trade SA (No 2) Before Lord Bridge of Harwich, Lord Emsile, Lord Brandon of On blood of Coff of Oakbrook, Lord Goff of Chieveley and Lord Jauncey of Tullichettle

[Speeches June 7]
The High Court had jurisdiction under section 27 of the Arbitration Act 1950 to extend time for the commencement of arbitration proceedings notwithstanding that the arbitrator might also have jurisdiction to do so under the terms of the arbitration

missed an appeal by the defendants, Siporex Trade SA, from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Purchas, Lord Justice Nicholls and Lord Justice Stauphten) (The Times April 3) Staughton) (The Times April 3, 1989; [1989] 2 Lloyd's Rep 13), who had allowed an appeal by the plaintiffs, Comdel Commodities Ltd. from an order of Mr Justice Steyn made on March 16, 1988 ([1988] 2

Lloyd's Rep 590). Section 27 provides: "Where the terms of an agreement to refer future disputes to arbitration provide that any claims . . . shall be barred unless ... some ... step to commence ... proceedings is taken within a time fixed by the agreement ... the High Court, if it is of the opinion that in the circum-

stances of the case undue hardship would otherwise be caused ... may ... extend the time for such period as it thinks proper. Mr Nicholas Legh-Jones, QC and Mr Christopher Hancock for Siporex; Mr Richard Aikens, QC and Miss Catharine Ottonulder for Comdel.

LORD BRIDGE said that by two contracts dated October 19, 1984, Siporex had agreed to sell and Comdel had agreed to buy consignments of tallow and cottonseed oil c & f Alexandria for delivery in January 1985.

Each contract had incorporated a clause referring dis-

Comdel had duly procured the issue by Banque Indosuez of performance bonds for US\$1,887,200 but had failed to procure the issue of conforming letters of credit in due time. The ensuing disputes had led to long

Siporex had claimed and in due course recovered from the bank the amounts due under the performance bonds. In 1985, Comdel had instituted arbitration proceedings seeking, unsfully, to establish that they had not been in breach of contract in relation to the issue

In May 1986, they had inceeded the damages, if any, sustained by reason of Comdel's

in rule 2(b)(i)(3), which had expired on May 31, 1985.

event of non-compliance with any of the preceding provisions of this rule, claims shall be deemed to be waived and absolutely barred unless the arbitrators, umpire or Board of Appeal ... shall, at their absolute discretion, otherwise

On Comdet's application for an extension of time under that rule, the arbitrators had disrule, the arounators had disagreed; the umpire and, in turn, the Board of Appeal (of FOSFA) had refused to exercise their discretion to allow the arbitration to proceed out of time.

Comdel bad then applied to the High Court under section the High Court under section 27. Mr Justice Steyn had held that he had no jurisdiction under the section and had also said that, if he had had jurisdiction, he would not have exercised it in Comdel's favour. The Court of Appeal had

reversed the judge on both points and granted the extension of time sought by Comdel. There had been previous conflicting decisions at first instance on the question of iurisdiction.

If the language of section 27 was given its natural and or-dinary meaning, it was apt to apply to the situations both where an arbitration agreement imposed an absolute and im-mutable time bar and where it imposed a bar but gave the arbitrator a discretion to grant a dispensation from it.

A bar was not the less a bar because there was a possibility of having it removed. A time limit was not the less a time limit because a discretion was given to extend it.

The question was whether the language should be given effect according to its natural and ordinary meaning or whether there was something in the context or the discernible policy of the Act that dictated that it should be given a restricted or qualified meaning.

Section 27 had re-enacted section 16(6) of the Arbitration Act 1934. The 1934 Act had followed on the Report of the Committee on the Law of Arbitration (1927) (Cnid 2817) under the chairmanship of Mr Justice MacKinnon.

It was common ground that in the years before the second world war it had been the general practice in comm arbitration agreements to im-pose short, fixed time limits for the institution of proceedings and that the practice of introducing discretion for the arbitrator to extend the time limits into such agreements had begun in the years following the second world war.

A report such as the MacKinnon Report was myaluable as an aid to construction, but it was one thing to use it to resolve a real ambiguity in the statutory language and quite another to use it to cut down the meaning of the language that Parliament had used in implementing the report's recommendation when the ordinary meaning of that language was

could obtain no relief when his It was no longer in issue that claim was conclusively barred Lord Goff and Lord Jauncey the relevant time limit was that by an immutable time limit and agreed. that the section implementing

had to be construed as limited to providing a remedy for that

His Lordship could not accept that argument. When a change in social conditions produced a novel situation, which had not been in contemplation at the time when a statute had first been enacted, there could be no a priori assumption that the enactment did not apply to the new circumstances. If the language was wide enough to extend to those circumstances.

there was no reason why it should not apply.

In any event, Siporex's argument adopted too narrow a view of the mischief that could be identified as the target of section 16(6) of the 1934 Act. That mischief had simply been the undue or unreasonable

hardship suffered by a party to an arbitration agreement who was deprived of the opportunity to pursue a contractual claim by the operation of a restrictive contractual time limit in circumstances in which he ought reasonably to be excused for his failure to comply with it.

Although such hardship was

obviously more likely to arise when the arbitrator had no discretion to extend time, it might also result even though he had such a discretion.

That might be either because the discretion was so narrowly expressed that it was ineffective hardship to be given or because the arbitrator had failed, in the circumstances of a particular case, to exercise his discretion to: grant relief from undue

In either of those situations, the intention expressed by the was for the High Court to stances undue hardship would be caused if the claimant were defeated by the time bar and that, if it was of that opinion, the court was to have discretion to grant relief.

The section should be read in its ordinary meaning as confer-ring jurisdiction on the High Court to extend time whenever an arbitration agreement imposed a time limit for the commencement of proceedings, whether or not discretion to extend time was conferred on the arbitrator.

His Lordship recognized that the practical consequence of that conclusion involved the somewhat cumbersome procedure of duplicating the remedies available to a claimant who sought relief from a time bar, but that could not affect the construction of section 27.

On discretion, the principles to be applied had been summarised by Lord Justice Brandon in Libra Shipping and Trading Corporation Ltd v Northern Sales Ltd (The Aspen Trader) ([1981] 1 Lloyd's Rep 273, 279).

Neither the umpire nor the Board of Appeal had given a reasoned decision for not extending time. In the absence of reasons, the fact that they had decided against Comdel was not Counsel for Siporex had a circumstance to which any identified by the report was the tached. His Lordship could find Lord Emslie, Lord Brandon

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Agreement on interest binding

Before Mr Justice Sheen [Judgment May 3]

An agreement as to interest on costs based on an erroneous view of the law was binding on the parties.
Mr Justice Sheen so held in

the Queen's Bench Division, in a reserved judgment given in open court after a hearing in chambers, in dismissing an appeal by the plaintiff, Dr Sidney Gee, against the decision of Mr Registrar Morris who, on a review of taxation of costs, had on March 19, 1990 dismissed the plaintiff's application for interest on costs to be recalculated from the date on which judgment was pro-nounced, rather than from the date of the certification of

plaintiff had accepted a pay-ment into court made by the

Miss Catharine Otton-MR JUSTICE SHEEN said that on October 4, 1985 the

defendants in respect of settle-ment of a libel action. On December 12, 1985 a statement In his Lordship's judgment, was read in open court before Mr Justice Tudor Price. On November 11, 1987 the

taxing master made an order for costs of £50,015 which the defendants paid. There then followed correspondence concerning the interest on costs. By a letter dated December 8, 1987 the plaintiff's first solicitors, Royds Barfield, wrote to the defendants' solicitors, Allen & Overy, asking for interest in respect of 33 days [that is, from the date of the statement in open court until the date of the taxing

master's certificate].

Allen & Overy originally disputed their liability to pay interest for 33 days but on June 28 they agreed to settle in full and final settlement. On November 3, 1988 the

House of Lords delivered speeches in Hunt v R. M. Douglas (Roofing) Ltd ([1990] AC 398) in which it was held that interest ran on costs from the date on which judgment was pronounced rather than from

settlement of the action at a time when their legal advisers thought erroneously that interest would accrue from the date of the taxing master's certificate based on the comment in Note 62/35/8 of the Supreme Court Practice 1988. It was open to the plaintiff to have disregarded that comment and such a claim would have been successful in the House of

The action was settled on an erroneous view of the law and the defendants made their pay-ment in full and final settle-

In his Lordship's judgment, it would be inequitable to allow the plaintiff to re-open the matter now and he had no doubt that if the boot had been on the other foot and the defendants could not have recovered that Solicitors: Morton Pugh; Al-

Leave of the court is required for amendment of a writ to be served outside the jurisdiction In December 1987 Mr against both defendants and Fact that the whole of the delay redersen applied, unsuccessfully, to the district registrar at Manchester under Order 12, having obtained leave under which time the plaintiffs were in

Trafalgar Tours Ltd and Others v Henry and Another Before Lord Justice Purchas, Lord Justice Nourse and Lord

[Judgment May 3] Where a plaintiff had obtained leave under Order 6, rule 7 of the Rules of the Supreme Court to serve a writ out of the jurisdiction, he could not serve a writ which had been amended without the leave of the court.

Order 20, rule il which permitted the amendment of a writ without leave did not apply to

Moreover, if the defendant applied to strike out the leave anted under Order 6, rule 7 on the ground that there was inordinate delay by the plaintiff in pursuing the claim, the court should refuse the application if that delay was within the statutory limitation period.

For the purposes of striking ut such leave under Order 12, rule 8 the relevant delay was that between the issue of the writ and the application for leave to serve out of the jurisdiction.

The Court of Appeal so stated in allowing in part an appeal by the plaintiffs. Trafalgar Tours Ltd, Trafalgar Leisure Corporation Ltd. Tom Hill Holdings Ltd and Trafalgar Travel Ltd, from the decision of Sir Peter Pain sitting as a High Court judge on October 28, 1988.

The plaintiffs brought an action against the defendants, Alan James Henry and Svend Eric Pedersen, for damages alleging fraudulent and/or megligent mis-statements made by the defendants about an English limited company trading as Marina Holidays as a result of which the third plaintiff bought the shares in Marina and

res in two Jersey hotels. Mr Henry lived in England and Mr Pedersen lived in Jersey. The plaintiffs applied ex parte for leave to issue a writ under Order 6, rule 7 of the Rules of the Supreme Court and to serve it on Mr Pedersen under Order rule 1(1)(c) and (f).

Mr District Registrar Keogh ordered that the plaintiffs have leave to issue a writ against Mr Pedersen and that they serve a copy of the writ duly sealed with the seal of the court office on him in Jersey. The plaintiffs duly issued one

writ but did not obtain a copy of the order nor did they obtain a concurrent writ in any other way under Order 6, rule 6. Before they served the writ they amended it under Order 20, rule 1(1). The plaintiffs then served the amended writ and statement of claim on Mr Pedersen in Jersey in November

1987 and the amended writ on Mr Henry in January 1988.

Manchester under Order 12, rule 8 for an order setting aside the order of Mr District Reg-istrar Keogh, the writ issued pursuant thereto and its service on Mr Pedersen and all subsequent proceedings. The judge allowed Mr

Pedersen's appeal and set aside the order, the writ, its service and all subsequent proceedings against both defendants. Mr Michael Kershaw, QC and Mr Michael Reishaw, QC and Mr Clive Freedman for the plaintiffs; Mr Anthony Boswood, QC and Mr Hodge Malek for Mr Pedersen; Mr F. J. Mulier, QC and Mr Matthew Caswell for Mr Henry.

LORD JUSTICE PURCHAS said that the judge had held that the plaintiffs had gone about the matter in the wrong way, that they should have issued a writ solely against the first defendant and then applied for a concurrent writ to serve outside the jurisdiction when he would only have to set aside the concurrent writ. He held that since there was only one writ he was bound to set it side.

His Lordship could not agree with that conclusion. The order tion of delay. Before delay could of Mr District Registrar Keogh be relevant it had to be both substantial and relevant. clearly envisaged that the plain-tiffs should issue their writ His argument rested on the

Order 6, rule 7.

The first point made by Mr Kershaw on appeal was that the judge's decision in regard to the service of the writ on Mr Henry as wrong. The error disclosed in the circumstances of the case in relation to obtaining leave and serving Mr Pedersen could not strike at the right of the plaintiffs to issue and serve a writ on Mr Henry within the

Mr Kershaw submitted that any error in the procedural steps taken by the plaintiffs' solicitors was not an error in jurisdiction which would deprive the plain-tiffs of their right to issue and serve a writ on Mr Henry but a procedural irregularity capable of rectification if appropriate in all the circumsta Order 2, rule 1(1).

His Lordship's conclusion was that Mr Kershaw's subsions were correct and that the judge was wrong to set aside the service of the writ on Mr Henry which should, therefore, be restored by the court. The major plank of Mr Kershaw's appeal was the ques-

any event entitled to postpone issuing their writ He argued that for the pur-poses of Order 12, rule 8 the relevant period during which

delay had to be considered was that between the date of the issue of the writ and the application for leave to serve out of the jurisdiction. In the present case there was no delay involved between those two steps which were simultaneous. Accordingly, one was thrown back to the time when both applications were made which was within the statutory period

It was urred on the court that a different standard should be applied in cases of applications under Order 6, rule 7 and applications to strike out such leave under Order 12, rule 8 from that applied in applications to strike out for want of prosecution under Order 18, The authority of Birkett v James ([1978] AC 297) in the

latter case was clear and would, if applicable to the present case, determine the question of delay adversely to the defendants. Notwithstanding Boswood's submissions to the contrary, his Lordship was not

persuaded that a special depar-ture from the established law in Birkett v James would be warranted in applications under Order 12, rule 8. Accordingly, that aspect of Mr Kershaw's The plaintiffs also challenged

the judge's view that the leave which had been granted by Mr District Registrar Keogh was leave to serve the unamended writ and not the writ as purportedly amended under Order 20, rule 1.

The judge was referred to paragraph 11/4/9 in The Supreme Court Practice 1988 but, rightly in his Lordship's judgment, held that the power there described to amend the writ, so ong as the new cause of action was one in respect of which there was power to allow service out of the jurisdiction, did not apply where the amendment was made pursuant to Order 20, rule I before the writ was

In his Lordship's view, Order 20, rule 1(3) provided an important fetter on the broadly based power to amend without leave contained in rule 1(1) where the amendments were substantial. The restriction was that the amendment without leave had to be made before the service of the writ on any party. If leave to serve the writ was required under Order 11, rule 1

power under Order 20, rule 1(3) to amend the writ by adding or substituting a party or a new cause of action without leave provided it was done before service of the writ became otiose The authorities referred to in

paragraph 11/4/9 concerned whether amendments should be allowed with leave after the unamended writ had been served. The reference in the paragraph to the rules as to paragraph to the fules as to amendment of writ and state-ment of claim was misleading if it was intended to embrace Order 20, rule 1.

In his Lordship's judgment the service of the amended writ on Mr Pedersen without obtaining the leave of the court, was an end of the matter so far as the service of the writ on Mr Pedersen was concerned and on that aspect he should be discharged from the action.

As the judge rightly empha-sized there was a heavy duty on those applying ex parte under Order 11, rule 1 for leave to Order 11, time 1 for scave to serve a writ out of the jurisdic-tion or for leave to issue the writ in the first place under Order 6, rule 7 to make full and frank

In the present case, quite apart from the many other

statement of claim, or any indication of how the claim was to be framed, the failure to exhibit accounts and the general air of haste and lack of detailed preparation to which the judge referred in his judgment, the failure to disclose a subtantial and important fact, was sufficient to support the judge's decision that leave should not have been granted in the first

That part of the judge's decision should be upheld. As a matter of discretion and procedure in the circumstances and bearing in mind difficulties arising out of the plaintiffs' failure to comply properly with the rules in serving Mr Henry, his Lordship would not uphold the judge's order in setting aside the writ as against Mr Henry or Mr Pedersen but would allow the writ in its unamended form to stand and would merely set aside the service of the writ on Mr Pedersen. The amendment of the writ and its service on Mr Henry in its amended form should stand.

To the extent of that variation in the judge's order, the appeal would be allowed. Lord Justice Nourse and Lord Justice Beldam agreed. Solicitors: Alexander Tatham. Manchester, Turner Kenneth

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FOR businesses with fewer than but those with between 20 and 49 20 employees, prospects for success and job creation are generally good. But those with between 20 and 50 workers tend to be job

Professor John Stanworth, the project director of government research to discover how entrepreneurs with a workforce of between five and 50 staff manage their training needs, said: "About 20 employees is as high as you can go without building a manage-ment team. A lot of owners are not experienced managers, and some are very reluctant to relinquish authority by delegating."

A survey of 120 small enterprises has been promoted by the Department of Education and Science's Professional, Industrial and Commercial updating programme, or Pickup. It is a first step in an attempt to cut the failure rate of small businesses by identifying the training needs of this potentially large and important market.

The project is based on three academic centres, Durham Business School, Nottingham Polytechnic and the Polytechnic of Central London, where Professor John Stanworth is head of Small Business. Professor Stanworth quotes research which shows that between 1985 and 1987, businesses with between five and 19 employees created 290,000 jobs,

staff lost about 80,000 jobs.

He said: "A business can cope fairly safely with up to 20 people. But after that it's not just a matter of coordinating. The business has got to have management teams and become more structured. I'm fairly sure the trouble is caused by this transition from being virtually a one-man hand to the stage where team management is needed."

The research project, which will finish at the end of next year, is expected to provide an important breakthrough in understanding



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YOUR OWN BUSINESS

Enterprise provides the A to Z of image and self-presentation

Idea that found its voice

By BRIAN COLLETT

THE growth in business activity and the resulting increased competitiveness gave Mrs Phi-lippa Davies her own business idea. She could use her theatrical skills to sharpen people's selfpresentation as a business tool.

She had a drama degree and an advanced diploma in voice studies and had spent seven years in acting. "There was scope for people to learn about their behaviour," she said. Mrs Davies decided first to

concentrate on the use of the voice and called her business Voice-works. She has recently become known for her book, Your Total Image, but recalls her "baptism by fire" on starting up three and a

She had injected several hundred pounds of her own money and sent out 1,000 leaflets postagefree under a Post Office scheme for new businesses. Then she went on her first outside assignment training Nissan car salesmen. The trouble was that every few minutes, salesmen would leave the group to serve a customer or give a

Back home in Shepherds Bush, west London, Mrs Davies turned her front bedroom into a classroom, recruited a partner and subsidized the new enterprise by working for a drama school. However, she lost her partner and switched to running the business full-time, relying on an accommodating bank manager when-

ever finance was needed. Her belief that the competitive 1980s businesses wanted self-presentation and behaviour training for employees proved right, and her programme widened to include dress and other approaches, as well as the use of the voice.

Clients of Voiceworks have included Bupa, the Civil Service, the John Lewis Partnership, Marks and Spencer, the Shell group and even people wanting to improve their performance in court - lawyers, witnesses and

In the course of her work, Mrs Davies has had to help her trainees to overcome society's prejudices. She explained: "In Britain, dark-suited men used to be regarded as unintelligent, and scruffiness was accepted as a sign of intelligence. "But generally the Europeans,

especially the French and West Germans, pay more attention to their presentation. The import-ance of presentation will intensify when British business people have to compete on equal terms with their Continental counterparts in the single European market after

One of Mrs Davies's tasks has been to help trainees to soften strong regional accents, as these sometimes alienate potential customers. Another has been to teach training officers how to keep their students' attention.

Mrs Davies has already co-



Hands-on display: Philippa Davies, left, and Meryl Griffiths

Style and Confidence. Her own book, Your Total Image, came out last month, and she has produced an audio tape on suess-free speaking with Mrs Meryl Griffiths, her present co-trainer.

Mrs Davies, who now runs Voiceworks from her house in Hammersmith, west London, wonders if she should expand to

written Wardrobe: Develop your meet the needs of business, especially as 1992 comes nearer.

The snag is that if I offer a far wider range of training I shall be doing less of it myself," she said.

A recent development has high-lighted the need. "The televising of the Commons has made people more aware of self-present Mrs Davies observed.

Voiceworks: 081-748 8318.

Edited by Derek Harris

Industrial Editor

IN ITS early days, the Labour movement encouraged new busi-ness enterprises according to Mr David Blunkett, Labour's spokesman on local government affairs (Derek Harris writes). He was speaking at this week's meeting of the Business Centre Society, where he gave a glimpse of how a Labour government would approach small business affairs. He saw a need for a familia postern of financial help. a flexible package of financial help. suitable accommodation, expert advice and provision of services to enable those with marketable ideas to reach the production stage and succeed in the long term.

Backed by Training Agency cash, the Kennedy Scott Training and Development consultancy of and Development consultancy of London is about to start a series of workshops and seminars which will offer free advice to tyro entrepreneurs. The workshops, to be held from this month until December in East London and Essex, will offer free advice to those contemplating starting their own offer free advice to those contemplating starting their own business. Business skills seminars are also being extended to the Bedfordshire area. Businesses less than a year old get the one-day seminar free, while others pay a subsidized 250. Further details: Lisa Kennedy, 071 378 7175.

Small business workshops will be run by the National Westminster be run by the National Westminstell Bank at more than 200 locations by the end of this year. Sessions offer tree start-up advice by representatives of NatWest and other bodies, including enterprise agendes

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Nighthawk Electronics, the computer company based at Debden, Essex, is marketing a security device to prevent hacking into personal computers at £200, not £2,000 as reported on May 25. Further details: 0799-40881.

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oyota engineers, told to create the world's finest luxury car, started by studying the three main contenders for the title: the Jaguar XJ6, Mercedes 420SE and BMW 735i. Typically, the Japanese first looked to the opposition to discover what they had to do to break into the top end of the market. Also typical is that having decided to make a luxury model, Toyotz allocated £300 million to complete the company's most ambitious project ever. The result is the Lexus LS400, a £34,000 executive car which went into the show-

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rooms this week in Britain. The Lexus is everything a huxury car should be - and more. It is powered by a 4-litre V8 good for just over 240bhp, enough to have the car gliding to a top speed of 155mph. Acceleration is good, but not at the expense of nearsilent running. Ride and handling are both excellent for such a large

The interior has a "Euro-feel", many traditional qualities being coupled with some excellent Japanese gadgetry. The Pioneer stereo system, for example, was part of

Toyota's Lexus marks an attempt to enter the £30,000 market with the 'world's finest

luxury performance saloon'. Will it succeed?

UNDER THE BONNET

the integral design of the interior. The equipment lies flush in the dashboard, and extensive checks have been carried out to ensure optimum sound quality from the

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Outside, the car has a drag coefficient of 0.29, the equal of many sports cars, thanks to flushfitting glass and carefully shaped bumpers, mirrors and trim. Even the washer nozzles are colourkeyed and the wipers adjust automatically to the car's speed. If all that sounds too good to be true, it partly mirrors Toyota's modest claim that Lexus is "the

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world's finest luxury performance saloon". The company's judge-ment was underlined by the fact that the car was US Imported Car of the Year and Japan Car of the

So will British buyers be banging their old Jags and Mercs into the showrooms to queue up for the Japanese wonder car? Toyota is certainly aiming for the buyer who expects everything about his car to be different from the crowd. The Lexus, for example, will not be marketed as a Toyota marque, but separately with its own livery and badges and through a network of

three-way catalytic converter fitted for unleaded petrol running only.

Speed: 0 to 60mph 8.3 seconds, maximum 155mph.

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Fuel consumption: 19.6m; town driving (official figures).

41 dealers. Although the Lexus is new, it looks little different in shape from the mid-market cars which surround it.

Is that what a buyer in the £30,000 class really wants? I doubt it, and Toyota may have to appreciate that simply producing a ighly technical car is not

I sense a change of attitude among buyers, who now expect reliability as part of the package with every car. Performance also ceases to be an issue unless it is truly revolutionary, not something that is liable to happen unless there is a radical technological departure.

What matters is class and character. Lexus has class in abundance but the car's character and personality are virtually

That will not prevent the Lexus from meeting its target of 800 sales in Britain this year, or Toyota from rightly claiming to produce one of the world's finest luxury cars. It will prevent drivers in future years from becoming mistyeyed and naming the Lexus among their list of all-time great cars.



Everything a luxury car should be? The Lexus LS400, which was launched in Britain this week.

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Sunny-side up for old 'poached egg'

THE MORRIS Minor, described as looking like "a poached egg" by the man who ordered the end of production in 1971, was one of the most popular cars of its day. More than 1.5 million were sold during 23 years of production.

The executives of the giant BLMC conglomerate decided the "Moggy" was not a car of the future and Lord Nuffield ordered the model killed off. Buyers, the chiefs said, wanted aerodynamic lines and high technology.

Yet two decades on, the Morris Minor is enjoying a wave of affection from a motoring public yearning for cars of character. More than 150,000 are thought to be still on the roads - and the car is even being used as a prize in newspaper competitions.

Martin Dooner, founder of the Morris Minor Company, in Doncaster, South Yorkshire, says the car is an antidote to the world of hi-tech wizardy overtaking drivers

He started his business 10 years ago in a lock-up garage with a British car of all time.

"Moggy" bought for £15, which he renovated.

Demand is now so great that output is 60 renovated cars a year, with some selling for £7,000 and as much as £15,000 in Japan, along with Italy, one of the growing export markets.

Mr Dooner adds: "Buyers are looking for cars with character. Many families will have a company car or a family saloon, but want a Morris Minor for their second car because it is fun."

The revival of interest in the Morris Minor is a tribute to the car's designer, the late Sir Alec Issigonis, the engineer who also designed the Mini. The Minor was his first big project after the war and had all the hallmarks of his cars, being practical and cheap. Wings were bolt-on so they could be taken off easily and changed if rust took hold.

Performance was unexciting, but the car had enough of the virtues of reliability and robustness to take it to a million sales. The car is still the fifth best-selling

Crisis, what crisis? Hooper, the specialist coachbuilding company which converts Rolls-Royces and Bentieys for the world's wealthy, has few worries over the tightening nas new worries over the agmenting economy. The company says it has 25 million worth of work in hand and its 66 employees are working

More heat in the summer war for sales, this time from Yugo which is offering free road tax, free delivery and number plates, free servicing up to 6,000 miles and 2,000 miles of free petrol with every 1.4-litre Sana. Price for the little Guigiaro-styled hatchback is

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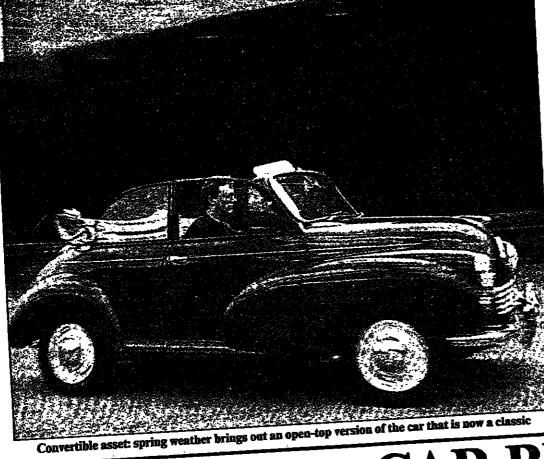
More than 50 motoring stars of stage and screen will take part in the Great British Film Raily from August 12-15. James Bond's Lotus and the Batmobile are two of the cars taking part in the London-to-Cannes rally to raise money for Save the Children. More than £40,000 was raised last year.

Positively the first and last word about the World Cup on the motoring page. It is worth noting that if all goes terribly wrong for Gary Lineker and the lads, they are assured of a speedy and smooth exit from the tournament, courtesy of Fiat which is providing 566 cars and vans for the month-long event.



Sales of diesel cars are likely to increase dramatically, according to research by Lucas, one of Britain's biggest motor component firms. Researchers for the company found that motorists favoured diesel after testing the cars, simply on the grounds of economy without taking into account the potentially lower emissions.

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Way succeeds in turbulent waters

many pre-Olympic boardsailing regattas this year, including the highly-competitive event at Medenblinck in The Netherlands at the end of May, Penny Way is fast becoming Britain's hottest Olympic

The lithe British national champion, who, at 28, has had an unbroken hold on the title for the past decade with the exception of 1988 when she was racing in a more important championship overseas, won her latest championship title with a day to spare, crushing the former American world champion,

Wendy Thompson.

Her only defeat during the past year has been at the hands of Jorrun Horgen, of Norway, at last season's world championship in Majorca. "I had been leading all the way through and held a 200 yards adantage on the last leg when I ran into a raft of seaweed. By the time I had cleared it from the board, Jorrun had slipped through," she

Horgen has not managed to get the better of Way since, and at the French championship at Hyeres in April, where the competition was at its strongest. Way again beat her rival with ease. The ambition driving the British hopeful this year is to lift the world crown at the principal championship off Buenos Aires in October.

Born in Bristol, Way was introduced to sailing at the age of 11 after her father, a BBC television producer, had moved the family to Piymouth. "I was very lucky. I was introduced to the sport at school and began sailing on the River Tamar," she said. The transition from dinghy to windsurfer was made 10 years ago. "A sailboard is a lot easier to handle than a dinghy. You never need to worry about a crew, and I could lift the board off the roof of a car without help."

Within a year, Way was already making waves on the international circuit. In 1981, she won the British national title for the second time, and finished second in the Windsurfer European championship before going to Australia to win the national championship

The following year, she changed to the Mistral class and, after finishing third in the world champ-ionship in 1982, took the crown four years later. Way made a play for the Olympic berth at Los Angeles in 1984, but then the board discipline was not divided between men and women. "There was no way we could compete against the men, especially as supporting harnesses were banned. The only time we could hold our own was in light

airs," Way says.

She had another go in 1988 but was forced to pull out when the board was changed from a division two type to the present Lechner
Olympic design. "I just couldn't
afford to change."
Those injustices have now been

rectified. In 1992, women will have their own boardsailing division at the Barcelona Olympic regatta and Way has the skill, tenacity and guts to make that central podium her own. What she lacks is the money.

An Olympic board costs £1,400, and racing or training in Christchurch Bay almost every day, Way gets through three boards a year. Sails, which come in three different sizes to take account of the weather, cost £300 each. Carbon fibre masts at £200 each are another large expense and, as with the sails, she gets through at least five a year. Add to this her travel and training costs, and a four-year Olympic campaign leaves little change from £50,000.

On the plus side, the Royal Yachting Association contribute 50 per cent of her basic travel costs and the Sports Aid Foundation has allocated a small amount towards her equipment.
Sadly Way's impressive record

has so far cut little ice with British industry. Apart from Daihatsu, who have loaned her a car, and Typhoon Wetsuits, who provide Way's sailing clothing, more than 200 sponsorship requests have all drawn

It seems support is harder to pick up than the silverware.



Making waves: Penny Way takes a firm grip as she sets sail in pursuit of Olympic honours

STUDENT SPORT

All-round Graham is college's guide to the semi-finals

AN IMPRESSIVE all-round performance by David Graham guided College of St Paul and St Mary into the semi-finals of the Mary into the scatternass of the British Colleges cricket tournament on Wednesday. In the South-West derby with South Glamorgan IHE, the Chetenham college won by 43 runs. Graham, who scored 80 runs, featured in a stand of 164 for the

featured in a stand of 164 for the second wicket with Chris Rawlings. Who finished, stranded, three short of his century when the 40-over limit was reached. St Paul and St Mary made 215 for four. In reply, South Glamorgan started well but were undone by Graham's spell, which earned him five for 30, as they were dismissed for 172.

The win earned St Paul and St Mary another tie against local—

Mary another tie against local — by college standards, anyway — rivals. St Mark and St John, from Plymouth. Having beaten the holders. Southampton CHE, in the first round, they moved into the last four with an impressive 10-wicket victory over West London IHE.

rain-affected match, reduced to 25 overs a side, and Bedford CHE, who overcame St Martin's, Liverpeol in a low-scoring affair in which their captain, James Lewis, took five for 14 to belt dispoirs their captain,

None of the sides made the last four last season. The semi-finals are scheduled for June 13, and the final, to be played at Mitchell and Butlers' CC, Birmingham, will be held on June 25.

RESULTS: Courter-finels (40 overs unless stated): West London IHE 113 (P Tatterton 4-35), St Mark and St John 117-0 (J Hamilton 63', J Evans 40'): St Paul and St Mary 215-4 (C Rawlings 97', D Graham 80), South Glesnorgan IHE 172 (GReham 5-30); Edge Hill 138-6, Trinity and All Saints 138-5 (25 overs); St

• The British Universities will play in a football tournament in Dublin during July. The squad, which will be based on the representative side fielded durinto the last four with an impressive 10-wicket victory over West London IHE.

The other semi-final will be between Trinity and All Saints,

BOWLS

Brick given promotion by a reorganised Kent

Cup against Oxfordshire at Oxford tomorrow (Gordon Allan writes). Brick, who played No. 3 to Andy Thomson last season, gains promotion because Ron Price has decided to take a year's rest from the game.

The selectors have made nu-merous positional changes, recalling Dave Banfield and Doug Yeomanson, and leaving only Gary Smith's rink

Lancashire, the 1989 runners-

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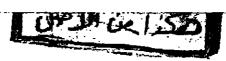
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Maradona rings up the curtain in Milan

From David MILLER MILAN

TWO teams in a state of flux. Argentina and Cameroon, this afternoon open the fourteenth World Cup here. Valery Nepomniaschy, Cameroon's Soviet team manager, has to decide whether to gamble on recalling one of the oldest players in the history of the World Cup finals, the 38-year-old centre forward, Roger

Goalkeepers, of course, such as Jennings, Zoff and Shilton have been or are older. Stanley Matthews was 39 when, recalled yet again by the selectors on public demand and form, he played outstandingly in the quarter-final against Uruguay in 1954. The case of Milla is equally un-



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in 1975, he formally played his last international match in December 1987, before completing his retirement in the French League that season. However, he was persuaded to return for the 1988 African championship, and was a lively leader in attack of the team that took the cup, beating Nigeria in the finals in front of a lukewarm Arab First coming to prominence showing their disapproval of

two black finalists.

Milla again retired, and was now playing what might be termed non-League football in the lie de Reunion in the Indian Ocean. Suddenly, six he wished once more, Sinatraback. He had to be accompanied by the Sports Minister to the squad's training camp in Yugoslavia, in order that the Minister might explain his re-introduction to younger players who would otherwise possibly have mutinied.

Antoine Bell, the Bordeaux goalkeeper who was runner-up as French footballer of the year, called Milla's action "irresponsible". Milla's re-sponse to that is that he is like a military reservist, "always ready to be called to my country's colours". His wiful is nicknamed "Gadaffi" by his

Nepomniaschy is torn between the demands of fanatical supporters at home in Yaounde, supported by a weeks ago, he announced that press campaign, and reality: can Milla seriously threaten Argentina's defence. The manager will announce his line-up this morning.

> Nepomniaschy's other dilemma is whether to prefer Bell to N'Kono, whose memorable performances in Spain eight years ago helped Cameroon draw all three first round matches (including against Italy) to establish a unique record of being the only World Cup final team never to have lost.

> "Trying to keep that record will be tough," Nepomniaschy says, tongue in cheek. He had difficulty keeping his own job after Cameroon's feeble de-

fence of their African title two months ago, losing to Senegal and Zambia. They only marginally recovered the form which had disposed of Tunisia in the qualifying double de-cider when they recently beat

Kenya in a warm-up match. There will be no special provisions for marking Maradona, Nepomniaschy says. "We have no complex about him, and are thrilled to be playing against him. We have prepared a tactical system, but it is not dependent on man-

for-man marking. We are not

Carlos Vilardo is not so sure. The manager of the winning team in Mexico City four years ago has been quoted as saying his side would consist of "Maradona and 10 others". Yesterday he announced a team that, suroris-

Atalanta, who had been expected to take some of the attention and pressure away from Maradona.

If Vilardo's team is genuinely the one he intends to field - and I remain sceptical - it will have Balbo, from Udinese, on the flank along-side Maradona; with the risk that Maradona will get kicked as unmercifully as he has been for the past 10 years. Unless, that is, the referees

really are going to start controlling the game. In charge today is Vautrot, of playing against just Maradona, but a team." France, always competent yet, like even the best, less stringent than he is entitled to be if interpreting the laws correctly.

It will be something of a sensation to see, if FIFA's demands are upheld, every player being booked for shirt-

ingly, did not include pulling and sent off for the so-ous in Mexico in 1986, Argen-Caniggia, the forward from called professional foul of tina lost 14 matches out of 35 blatantly tripping an attacker up to the end of last year, and who is bearing down on goal.

l am no defender of Maradona's behaviour, social or sporting, on and off the field. Yet the fact is that he has, like George Best in his blend of Latin technique and time, been persistently and disgracefully fouled so many times without penalty by refcrees, that it is no surprise he responds with other forms of cheating, emotional and physical. Let us be in no doubt that the game has corrupted him more than vice-versa; he is

player we have today. Now he has the immense task of carrying an Argentine team that has fallen from its peaks of 1978 and 1986 but with him in form, of reaching

indisputably the greatest

scored only five goals in their

last i i matches. They have not been improving this year, but with 14 of the squad of 22 being with European clubs, they have a

European experience which can still take them a long way. Nepomniaschy claims the same cosmopolitan quality for his team. "The game of the Germans, the Russians and the English is rational," he said. "Our way is more improvisation, we are close to French football. We would not be surprised to win." It promises to be an intriguing open-

ing to the world's second biggest sporting event.
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WORLD CUP NOTEBOOK A

The pasta

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prepare

THE recipes for World Cup success, inevitably, vary from country to country, but it is no surprise to find that Italy, the

host country, will fuel their efforts with spaghetti.

The Italian team doctor, Antonio Verchiet, is stuffing his

charges with mounds of carbo-hydrates and has chopped their

meat ration and banned butter. "The Mediterranean diet is just

right — it's important not to tire out the digestive system." he

Camomile sea is the other

staple for the Italians, who kick-

off their campaign against Austria in Rome tomorrow. Its soporific qualities are being used to drug the players who

cannot sleep because of growing nerves. If past opening matches

are any guide, Vecchiet might well prescribe watching the

Argentina v Cameroon game on the television tonight as the perfect means of inducing deep slumber in the Italian camp on

pig-match eve. The South Koreans are being

fed by the Korean community of Milan on inchi, a traditional

dish of pickled cabbage in hot pepper and garlic sauce. So, watch out Belgium, Urugusy

Secret service

ARMED police will guard the

36 referees, who will be quartered at secret locations. "You

never know if some madman is going to come and try to take revenge," a spokesman for FIFA, the game's governing

Liverpool echo

THE words of the late Bill Shankly have found an echo in

the streets of Beirut, where new forms of rivalry have surfaced.

with flag-waving football

supporters noisily parading their loyalties. Nabil Fakhani, a

supermarket manager in West

Beirut, said: "A great British football manager once said, "People who say football is a matter of life and death are

fools. It is much more serious

than that,' In Lebanon, his

words could never be more

accurate. For many Lebanese,

the game of football symbolises

Captain courageous wins the thanks of England's manager

From Stuart Jones. FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT, CAGLIARI

BRYAN Robson, the figure- with the majestic precision of shadowed by the prolonged performs non-stop and, above and colourful appraisal of all, he scores vital goals." fered yesterday by the national a player as we've ever produced".

On the eve of the tourthe stature of his most influential individual to provide him with a timely and diplomatic boost. But there could be no doubting the earnest sincerity of his words or the gratitude which implicitly they carried.

One statistic illustrates the importance of a captain "who has been everything" during Bobby Robson's reign. Bryan Robson has featured in 62 of the 88 internationals so far. In his presence. England have lost only 10. In his more limited absence, they have been beaten seven times.

The great sadness is that Bryan has missed so many imes under RODDA Robson said. "He should by now have a record number of caps." But for injury, he would be winning his 112th when he leads England out against the Republic of Ireland here on Monday evening.

"I hope the next national manager isn't without his best player for more than a quarter of his matches. We've missed Bryan's tenacious attitude. He's a winner and he never pulls out of tackles." Bobby Charlton would echo those sentiments. He regards Manchester United's captain as "the bravest player l've ever seen"

But Bryan Robson epitomises more than fearlessness. Bobby Robson recalled three of his passes, each struck

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head of England's World Cup Hoddle, which released in challenge, has received a thou- turn Lineker. Stevens and sand bouquets during his Waddle in Tunisia on Satcareer, but they were over- urday. "He opens the game, he

His ratio of more than one manager. In the opinion of goal in every fourth inter-Bobby Robson, he is "as good national is remarkably high a player as we've ever for a midfield player, and especially in the modern age. Using his instinctive ability to nament, Bobby Robson might time his runs into the penalty have been tempted to elevate area, he often claims the decisive strike. Six of his 26 goals have been winners for England,

> "He's so good that I was prepared to gamble with him in the 1986 World Cup, even though there was a big question mark against him," Bobby Robson said. "He was the only player in the country I would have risked." Ultimately, it failed and England's fortunes rose ironically once he had dislocated his shoulder.

badly there, everyone would sees him making behind. Anyway, it is a terrific bonus having him here now and so fit. The months he was out earlier this year might even be to our advantage."

Significantly, he suggested that Beardsley, who was also out for seven weeks towards the end of the season, is also fresher than he might have been. He is almost certain to be in a line-up which, apart from Gascoigne, includes all of the most experienced members of the squad.

As doubts about the principal goalkeeper receded, so those about Shilton's understudy increased. Woods injured his back and was excused from training. So was Wright, whose neck is still

ricked, but Parker, another

possible central defensive reserve, was able to take a full part in the private session.

The gates were locked but, whenever they were opened to allow official vehicles to enter, Bobby Robson's intentions were momentarily revealed. He will not confirm the evidence until his team sheet must officially be handed in on Monday, but he did admit that "my mind is already made up".

If expectations are realised, he has decided to swim against the main tide and attack the Irish with two wingers. "The first phase, when everyone is playing for points and placings, will probably be full of careful and cagey football," he said. "In the second round, the tournament will take off."

To reach the knockout stage, he has set a minimum target of three points, which was sufficient four years ago. Then, by the time England entered the last 16 Bryan "If I hadn't taken him to Robson was no longer avail-Mexico and we had done able. Now the manager forein appropriate glory.

> "He is superb in defence, in midfield and in attack. He's as good a player as we've ever produced. He's undoubtedly world class and, to go with that, he's a good type too. All of the other players respect and admire him and his ability. He is a great captain.

"I cannot believe that he's never been voted the footballer of the year. For all that he has done for his club and his country, giving everything in every match that he has played, he richly deserves to lift up the World Cup next month in Rome."

PROBABLE ENGLAND TEAM (V Repo of Ireland: P Shilton, G Stevens, D Walker, T Butcher, S Paarca, C Waddle, P Cascolyme, B Robson, J Barnes, G Lineker, P Beardelev.

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A marked man: Maradona was given his own police escort for a short walk to the team hotel in Milan yesterday

Roxburgh to Leighton's defence

IT HAS often seemed that the easiest way to perplex anyone in charge of a Scotland side is to question the ability of the goalkeepers available to him and Andy Roxburgh, the Scot-land coach, has not proved to be exceptional in this respect, as he demonstrated yesterday when he expressed indignation about the treatment of Jim Leighton on a midweck sports programme broadcast on ITV.

Roxburgh participated in a live discussion with the England manager, Bobby Robson, but although he could not see what was being screened in Britain he realised from hearing snippets of commentary in his earpiece that a montage of goals con-ceded by Leighton this season

was being shown.

From CLIVE WHITE

RABAT, MALTA

RONNIE Whelan's World Cup

begins in earnest here today, when he attempts the near-

when he attempts the near-impossible task of playing him-self into the Republic of Ireland's opening game against England in Cagliari on Monday without having kicked a ball of any consequence in seven weeks

because of injury.

Jack Charlton, the manager,

has declared that the full-scale practice match on the training

ground beside the Ta'Qali national stadium is the last opportunity for Whelan to prove his fitness, after breaking

a bone in his foot playing for Liverpool against Arsenal at

discounted Whelan's chances of

Charlton has as good as

Highbury in April.

shouldn't bother us." Roxburgh said at the Scottish headquarters in Rapallo, near Genoa yes-terday. But what does become very annoying is the fact that the coverage is so unbalanced. Now Jim Leighton has his bad games like everybody else but you would do well to count on the fingers of one hand the number of poor matches he has played for Scotland. Who shows all the kept us in games or com-

All of which was prompted by an earlier statement by the Scottish coach that he has already decided which players he will field against Costa Rica in the Scots' opening match on Monday afternoon and he further insisted that he had experi-enced no difficulty in selecting his goalkeeper for that game.

petitions?"

Although he declined to be

Leighton or Andy Gorman, of Hibernian, Roxburgh appeared to offer a significant clue when he said: "When Jim joined us to travel to Malta after he had been dropped by Manchester United for the FA Cup final reply with Crystal Palace, it was putting it mildly to say that he was down.

That is why, when we de-cided to play him and Andy Goram for one half each against Malta, we thought it best that Jim should play the second half. If we had played him in the first half and he had made a mistake. people would say that we had dropped him at half-time. The alkeepers knew they would both take part.

"We wanted to avoid that, Now Jim's morale is back to normal again and I must say that our goalkeepers, including Bryan Gunn, work very well together. They are competitive

Roxburgh remains uncertain about the Scottish attack because neither of his first-choice forward players is fully fit. The good news is that Maurice Johnston is ahead of schedule in recovering from his stomach injury and he has begun to train again. If you had asked me last weekend I would have said he had no chance of playing in the World Cup. Now there's a good chance he will make it against Costa Rica," Roxburgh said.

However, there is a doubt about his Rangers club-colleague, Ally McCoist, the player who surprised Roxburgh on Wednesday by revealing that he had concealed a hamstring prob-lem for 10 days before thing conlem for 10 days before flying out to Genoa. McCoist's injury is worrying but Roxburgh said: "One thing in Ally's favour is that he heals even faster than

life, in its thrills and agonies." A kind of hush A DEATHLY hush will fall at midnight on the streets of the north Italian city of Bolzano. which has imposed a curfew on which has imposed a currew on public celebrations, or indeed, lamentations, provoked by the World Cup. The police have promised to break up "with particular severity" the familiar parades of cars and fine pedes-

> Flight of fancy THERE will be no escape from football even in the skies above Italy. The national airline, Alitalia, has clinched a deal with Italian television to show films of matches on international flights. WALTER GAMMIE

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Players stage silent protest "It's so predictable that it Unlucky Whelan plays his last card The players are inevitably nervous, no matter how relaxed

THE relationship between the England squad and the media has sunk into an uneasy silence. Bobby Robson is prepared to give interviews, as officially required, but most of his players are becoming increasingly reluc-tant to talk to reporters and some are flatly refusing to do so.
They claim that they have been so frequently either mis-quoted or criticised savagely that they prefer no longer to co-operate with people they now regard as foes. Sadly, long gone

are the good, old days when the

two camps mixed amicably and freely as friends.

They are now divided by a wall of suspicion and, in some cases, contempt. The barrier is never more evident than during foreign tournaments and es-pecially the longest, the finals of the World Cup, which are invariably preceded by several weeks of growing anxiety. The air of tension hangs over both

FIXTURES

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Italy v Austria (Rome, 8.0) TELEVISION

Today

World CUP: Eurosport 8.30-8am, 117pm (with tennis) and 9-11pm: World Cup
preview, opening ceremony and Argentina v Cameroon from Mian. ITV 4-7pm:
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Cameroon; 89C7 10:20-11.10pm; Highlights of Argentina v Cameroon.

Tomorrow WORLD CIP: Eurosport 10.30 am12.30-10 pm (with tennis), and
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Pomania trom Bart. they may appear to be, and journalists are under particular pressure to produce lively daily reports. For the sake of sensationalism, a slight strain can be converted into a heavy pull, a small graze into a bloody wound.

A player's answer to a question can be twisted out of shape and lifted out of the original context. The alterations, it should be added, are not always made by the journalist who is supposedly credited for them. Inexcusably, changes have been carried out to fit predetermined headlines. Bobby Robson made an im-

passioned and private plea at the start of the campaign in an attempt to clear the rancid atmosphere. Justifiably, he was responding to an irresponsible report, which claimed erroneously that he had been jeered by the local crowd when he took

part in Cagliari's promotion celebrations.

His appeal has had no noticeable effect. Stories have continued to be exaggerated to such an extent that they no longer represent reality and, worst of all, a picture in one of last Sunday's newspapers purported Sunday's newspapers purported to show the England manager leering at the wife of one of his

players.
No one can blame either Robson or his players for deeply mistrusting the media when they see such damning evidence. Unfortunately they regard everyone as being responsible.

Only a few are deliberately sinister and provocative.

Players cannot afford to hold conversations only with those they consider trustworthy. They are aware that their words may be passed on, perhaps in-advertently, to others who are less honourable. With reason, they fear the outcome of the

playing against England, though he is reluctant to admit it to the player. Whelan, as is the way of those on the threshold of greatest moment of their life.

Should he fail to shine through the hour-long practice match, which will involve half a dozen Maltese internationals, or, heaven forbid, break down, Charlton may begin to reproach himself for his decision to select an injured player in preference

Not the least interested party in all of this will be Gary Waddock, who though included in the provisional squad which left Dublin two weeks ago, was omitted at the eleventh hour in avour of Alan McLoughlin, of Swindon Town, and, more significantly, three injured players, including Whelan Charlton hopes, rather than expects, that Whelan will play a part in the championship later.

tries have taken along players in suspect condition only to be disappointed. At least his gamble on the fitness of Ray Houghton, another important member of the Republic's midfield, appears to have paid off - for the time being Houghton is certain of starting against England, though his problematical back injury is

susceptible to relapses.

in everything from toothpaste and

Much though one can sym-pathise with Chariton's desire to

the finals. But World Cup history is lit-tered with stories of how coun-The decision to include four extra forwards but only two reserves in midfield and one at

comprehend.

see Whelan in the team, he has left himself open to charges of unreasonable optimism over

the selection of his squad, which has an average age of 28 years and five months, the highest in

him. The omission of the two highly-promising Oldham Ath-letic players, Milligan and Irwin, was particularly difficult to The Irish, who will leave here for Italy today, believe that unlike the Scots, who were

content to return to Britain from Malia last week after a few days of mixed weather, they have undergone a proper period of acclimatisation, "Now the play-ers can change the boredom of

Stay-away spectators and the television windfall

From KEN SHULMAN FLORENCE

WITH an estimated overall television audience of 26.5 billion viewers, Italia '90 will eclipse all previous television spectator records. More than 1.1 billion people are expected to watch the final on July 8, nearly twice the audience of 655 million for the 1986 World Cup final in Mexico, and nearly three times the 420 million who turned on their sets to witness the royal wedding in 1981. This, above all else, will be the windfall of

Italia '90. From manufacturers who hoped to use the tournament as a springboard to launch their products on to the international market, to labour unions who tried to turn the World Cup into a lever to prise concessions from management, to regional and city administrators who used it as a pretext to obtain funds for longdelayed urban renewal projects, to hotel and resort owners who prepared for the onslaught of tourists. and to football supporters who dreamed of an Italian victory, the World Cup has come very close to representing all things to all people.

Despite the elaborate preparations and the packed calendar of complementary events which the 12 World Cup cities have planned for the month-long tournament, very little of the shower of gold which was forecast for Italy during the World Cup is likely to arrive.

The host country will reap few short-term financial benefits from the estimated £4,750 million it spent preparing for the tournament. The hoped-for invasion of supporters and tourists has not materialised. Most estimates indicate that the number of supporters attending the World Cup is not likely to exceed 600,000.

What's more, normal tourist traffic has also visibly diminished. Instead of drawing them to Italy, the World Cup seems to be driving both seasonal holiday-makers and firsttime visitors elsewhere.

Mario Lippi, the president of the Italian Association of Tourism. said: "On the contrary, the usual summer-time tourists are staying away this year, because they've heard Italy will be crowded, or because it will be chaotic, or because of fears of violence."

Unlike hotel and tour operators,

the 40 Italian companies which

purchased the right to market their

products with the official Italia '90

CIAO mascot, have recovered their

money with interest. The spindly

mascot has been used to boost sales

five is against the tournament. Alternatively, for every Italian who curses the World Cop, there are four who favour it. Supporters in Rome slept out on the pavement in front of the Banca Nazionale di Lavoro last Friday night, some waiting up to 25 hours, for the remaining 20,000 tickets to the final

to go on sale. And then there is the Italian team, which is not so much expected, as required, to excel. The present team contains only five members of the side which their former coach, Enzo

lose in the second round. Azeglio bicycles to bank accounts. For many Italians, the World Cup Vicini, who replaced Bearzot in October of 1986, brought with him has meant four years of potholes, the nucleus of his Italy Under-21 scaffolding, and seemingly endless construction, which has made an already chaotic city like Rome almost uninhabitable. A recent team, which, when winning the Uefa Cup that same year, delighted all of Europe with its free-wheeling, survey revealed that one Italian in rapid, un-Italian attacking style, including Vialli, Giannini, Donadoni, Ferri, De Napoli and

> With Italy's unprecedented sweep in European cup competitions - the victories of AC Milan, Sampdoria and Juventus have bloated sentiments of national football supremacy - it would be nothing short of a nationwide disaster should Italy make a poor showing. Italians have grown resigned to living with inefficiency, delays, corruption and chaos in their daily lives. But football is quite another matter.

Bearzot, took to Mexico in 1986 to 0898 55 55 17 TENNIS FRENCH OPEN tes throughout the day 0898 400 615

extend his international career Scotland team to play Canterries over the past two seasons, displaces Paul Burnell from the grand slam side, which, with that one change at tighthead, looks like being the team to face the All Blacks in eight

The Scotland coach, Ian McGeechan, commenting on the selection of the Heriot's FP prop, said: "lain Milne is back in international rugby for the first time in 15 months. It is important at this stage to assess his exact form. He had a fairly easy outing in his first game against Poverty Bay/East Coast, but this is the real test.

The tour selectors will be hoping that Milne, who played for the Lions in 1983, can recapture some of his old form. Asked what Milne would add to the Scotland team, McGeechan said:

It will be hard on Burnell if he is displaced by Milne for the international, after playing so well in the five nations'

Spotlight to fall on the referee

From Peter Bills

THE practice of employing overseas referees for inter-national match series, both in the northern and southern to be under scrutiny in Sydney

Tony Spreadbury, of England, makes his debut as a senior international referee in the first international of the Australia-France series: however, there is a general feeling that not everyone in this part of the world is euphoric at the idea of a British official, without any inter-national match experience, handling so important a game - and Spreadbury, at 29 years of age. very young for a referee at this level, concedes there have been the occasional difficulties

Yet the man whose playing career was abbreviated by a serious shoulder injury insists there are more plus points to the equation than minus. "To get world you have got to continue this trend." he said. "I see no point in the southern hemisphere officials working their way and our referees doing things our way. No one wins in

There have been some problems, but I think this system should be persisted with." Spreadbury, who has refereed

six warm-up matches in 14 days, sees his chief task as accepting the reality that the Australians like to play the game on the floor. "It's quite difficult to get them to say on their feet although I'm sure it's better to do the latter. You can get quicker, cleaner ball for your backs if your forwards have remained upright."

IAIN Milne, the former Brit- London Scot was under presish Isles prop, seems likely to sure in the set scrums against Wellington and again in the after being selected for the match on Wednesday against Scotland team to play Canter-Nelson Bays/Marlborough. bury tomorrow. Milne, who Milne's presence would add a has been troubled with inju-fusion which has manifestly not been there.

> "Our forward play has been too loose," McGeechan said. The Scotland coach clearly sees this match as the last opportunity to give his potential international side a run. "We can't afford not to put out our full side," he said. "Coming into the game, we must have our combinations together. However, I'm pleased that in the first two weeks, we managed to mix the younger players with the more experienced members of the

> The more intense build-up to tomorrow's match against Canterbury was reflected in Scotland's decision to hold their training session away from the public gaze that has attended their preparations for the three previous tour matches. It was no less than Canterbury requested for their practice at Rugby Park in Christchurch.

> Tomorrow's match at Lancaster Park should be the

Namibian bubble burst by Wales

THE Namibians have been waging a war of attrition against the Welsh to which, thankfully, the touring team has not

Henning Snyman, the Namibia coach, stated quite categorically that his side would beat Wales in the first international. When they failed to do so he resorted to criticising the refereeing of Fred Howard. He has since apologised to the

referee for his behaviour and has had a further meeting with him to establish exactly what his side needs to be aware of.

Namibia seem to be in a rugby time warp and are still thinking and playing in terms of past

Their isolation has meant that

underestimated this young Welsh squad. They cannot cope with the superior technique and fitness of the Welsh. But Snyman is quoted in The

hardest of the tour so far. This

season, Canterbury have beaten Wellington, who in-

cluded both John Gallagher

and John Schuster for that

match, and last year they

finished second to Auckland in the national championship.

have listed the current All

Blacks' scrum half, Graeme

Bachop, and the flanker, Andy

Earl, in addition to three other

All Black international players

- Warwick Taylor, at inside

centre, the full back, Robbie

Deans, and the lock, Albert

In addition, they have two

uncapped All Black tourists in

the wing, Shayne Philpott, and the hooker, John Buchan. The

quality of their backs is borne

out by the fact that the

remainder of them have all

appeared in All Black trials.

appeared In All Black Unals.

CANTERBURY: R Deans: W Maussell, A McCornick, W Taylor, S Philpott, S Bachop, G Bachop; S Loe, J Buchan, K Pauling, A Earl, A Anderson (captain), C England, P Cropper, D Seymour, SCOTLAND: G Hastings (London Scottish); T Stanger (Hawick), S Hastings (Watsonians), S Lineen (Boroughmus), I Takalo (Selkirk); C Chalmers (Meinose), G Armstong (Jed-forset): D Sole (Edmburgh Academicals, Captain), K Miline (Herlot st.)

Amistrong (Jec-Forsett; D Sole (Edinburg)
Academicals, Captein), K Mikhre (Heriot S).
Milne (Heriot's), J Jeffrey (Kelso), C Gray
(Nordingham), D Crenin (Beth), F Calder
(Stowart's Melville), D White (London
Scottsh), Replacements: P Dode (Gala),
D Wolfe (Signeyer's Aubstille)

Anderson, the captain.

For tomorrow's match, they

Times of Namibia as saying that despite their defeat of last Saturday his team will "massacre" Wales in the second inter national. He said: "We learned something from them and we are going to take sweet revenge on Saturday. We performed weakly in lineouts, in scrums and rucks. We managed to solve our problems and our fans can expect running rugby. Things will be different as we will turn

Wales have been striving to attain some form of rhythm but have yet to achieve this goalfully. However, the signs are

Romania visit planned

Italy, Spain and The raising at matches. Netherlands in October for a Romania will place in the 1991 World Cup, hope to prepare for the qualifying tournament with games in England carly next season (David Hands writes). Both Bath, the Pilkington Cup holders, and Leicester have been mentioned as possible oppo-nents, though no dates have yet

Bath, who visit Australia in August and entertain Toulouse in early autumn, are keen to play the Romanians if a convenient date can be arranged. They have already provided rugby equipment worth £4,000 to the Romanians from their own

Next season the AFA is expected to hold national com-

petitions in more prominent

venues, in London or other

At the start of its life, the De

hall in the world purpose-built

for fencing, with an under-ground wiring system for elec-tric foil and epee scoring and special non-flickering lights so that fencers were not put off

Now, however, as mainte-

nance costs have started to drain

the AFA's resources, the need for large competitions to be held

in bigger centres has become

British epée champion and an Olympic fencer in 1936. He was

a devotee of fencing administra-tion who revived the sport from

De Beaumont was four times

ROMANIA, who contend with funds and as a result of fund

later this month from the generosity of rugby supporters in Cumbria who, like Bath, played Steaua Bucharest when they were on tour here last In the wake of last Decem-

ber's revolution, 150 Romanian orphans were brought to the Cockermouth and Aspatria areas and the funds remaining from that venture will enable Ian Nelson, the president of Cumbria, and a colleague to drive two wagons loaded with essential items to eastern Romania for distribution in orphan-ages specified by the Romanian Embassy.

SHOOTING

Better form

not enough

for Allan

ALISTER Allan, the Olympic

silver medal winner, seemed to

be back on form again at the UIT World Cup at Zurich when he reached his first final since the Seoul Olympic Games and

finished sixth overall against some of the world's best (Our

Shooting Correspondent writes). Allan's initial 1,167 in

the three-positions rifle was not far behind the leaders but he

dropped back with only 95.6 for the final.

Adrian Breton, of Guernsey, set a British rapid fire pistol record of 587 for the 60 shots, but had to settle for eighth place.

with an overall total of 775.

FENCING

Centre bows out with rousing final flourish

THE Miller-Hallett Cup, the men's epèc international being held this weekend, has attracted an entry which, according to the organisers, befits the last important competition to be held in the De Beaumont Centre, the national centre for British fencing in London (Lesley Drennan

Ralph Johnson, the national epèe champion, and Mike Corish, Jerry Melville and Roger Greenhaulgh, of the national squad, lead the field against European opposition, including a full Portuguese

The centre's 50-year-old lease, established by Charles De Beau-mont in 1962, is expected to be surrendered to its landlords, the Queen's Tennis Club. on July 31, as a result of a £750,000 deal between the Lawn Tennis Association and the Amateur



With all Overall (018) 01 773. RESULTS: Repid five pistol: 1, A Kusmin (USSR), 882 (592); 2, V Tobnin (USSR), 879 (593); 3, L Palinkas (Hun), 775 (597), British: 8 A Berton, 775 (577), British: 8 A Berton, 775 (577), British: 7400; 1, P Kurla (62), 1, 271.9 (11.75); 2, R Debevec (Yug), 1, 271.2 (11.75); 3, H Stenyaag (Nor), 1, 286.2 (1.166); 6, A Allan (GB), 1, 282.9 (1.167). near-extinction after the war with a national coaching **GYMNASTICS**

A routines exhibition By Peter Aykroyd

BRITAIN'S best gymnasts will demonstrate rising standards in the sport by giving a comprehensive display of their skills be Neil The at Crystal Palace tomorrow, performers, including national champions and members of international teams, will execute

routines in artistic gymnastics.

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acrobatics at an event sponsored Among those appearing will be Neil Thomas and Sarah Mercer, the British artistic champions. Viva Seifert, the leading rhythmic gymnast — all of whom have won medals at recent international com-petitions — and Philippa Musikant, the world No. 3 in

women's tumbling. Group work in rhythmic gym nastics will be displayed by Coventry and Northampton the respective senior and junior national team champions. In sports acrobatics, combination work to music featuring gym-nasts in pairs, trios and fours will also be demonstrated.

ourse offering the closest and most spectacular viewing of any World Senes course. Heats for all classes take place on Saturday, with the finals on Sunday. Racing starts at 10.30 and continues until around 6.30. This annual display, which includes pre-school and special around 6.30.

Don Johnston, a former American policeman, will be looking to add to his first round win, although Welshman Jon Jones, with two world needs gymnasis, confirms the growing popularity of all forms of the sport - competitive and

CASH Asmussen, runner-up in

CASH Asmussen, runner-up in the Derby on Blue Stag on Wednesday, hit the headlines again at Epsom yesterday.

The reigning champion French jockey was not only announced as the jockey on In the Groove, the new favourite for Saturday's Oaks. Asmussen also rode a masterly waiting race when winning the Coronation Cup on In the Wings for Sheikh Mohammed and Andre Fabre.

The beaten favourite behind The beaten favourite behind Carroll House in last autumn's

Wells colt. Willie Carson made his bid

Asmussen always had the leaders firmly in his sights. After displaying a fine burst of acceleration to get on terms, the 15-8 favourite then went clear to win by 1½ lengths with Ibn Bey the same distance away third. Roscate Tern disappointed in the dead going and finished a well-beaten fourth.

well-beaten fourth.

After chipping a bone in his knee as a two-year-old In the Wings was unable to be trained for last year's Derby. "I am now going to prepare him for the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes and after that the Arc," said Fabre. "There is a possibility that he "There is a possibility that he might go for the Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud first." Creator may possibly be trained for the

Eclipse Stakes.
In common with Wajd and others in Fabre's 200-horse-power string at Chantilly, Cre-ator is coughing "At the moment about half my older

Sheikh Mohammed, successful in the Oaks three times in the past five years, will now be without a representative tomorrow as Anthony Stroud announced later in the afternoon that Henry Cecil's fluent Lupe to be re-routed from Ensom to the Prix de Diane (the French Oaks) on Sunday when she will be accompanied by her stable

Moon Cactus is blind in her left eye, so she'll be better suited by right-handed Chantilly", said

Cactus came too late to save In the Groove as a mount for Steve Cauthen. "I hung on as long as possible but it wasn't fair to

Cauthen misses out as Moon Cactus switches to France

Asmussen on In The Groove

Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe and runner-up to his stable companion Creator in the Prix Ganay on his seasonal reappearance, the four-year-old In the Wings is now at last fulfilling the high hopes that have always been entertained for the Sadler's

for fame when punching Observation Post past Ibn Bay early in the straight. But

borses are affected."

companion Rafha.

"The principal reason is that

The late news about Moon

Results from yesterday's two meetings

Epsom

Going: good to soft

2.0 (1m 110yd) 1. ODILEX (8 Marcus,
10-1): 2. Facility Letter (Ron Hills, 7-1): 3.
Red Victor (W Newnes, 20-1). ALSO RAN:
5 for Amazaks (5th). 11-2 Tislam, 13-2
Westgate Rock, 7 Beau Rou, 14 Florida
Secret (4th), 16 Dancing Bresze, True
George (6th). Compos Montis, Lambton
Lad, 20 Sighsyir, Northern Village,
Bradmore's Classic, 33 Salinamer, 50
Prince Of Dresms. 17 ran. 2, sh hd, 3,
151, %L M Jarvis at Newmerkst. Tote:

£14.60; £3.30, £2.20, £8.20, DF: £93.30. CSF: £77.70. 1min 47.47sec.

CSF: £77.70. 1min 47.47sec.

2.85 (6) 1, IMOY RIVER (W Carson, 3-1);
2. Care Maire (N Cartisle, 12-1); 3, East
Barns (W Newnes, 20-1), ALSO RAN: 9-4
tav Carmen's Joy, 11-2 My Alma, 12 Bess
Pool, 14 Black Armoriat, 16 Turbo-R, 20
Don't Give Up, Dream Carrier, Foreign
Alliance, B Dominio (5th), 25 Young
Whistler (6th), 33 Naochar (4th), 50 Chad
Green, Somersutifug, Red Hot Rosle, 17
ran. NR: Special Request, 8, 34, 34, 114,
1141, J Durlop at Arundal, Tote: 24,30;
21,30, 22,70, 25,00. DF: 225,80. CSF:
240.17. 1min 12.10sec, Aiter stewards
inquiry the result stands.

Inquiry the result stands.

3.5 (5f) 1, LYNDSEYLEE (Pat Eddery, 9-1): 1, MARSON DES FRUITS (N Confisio, 16-1): 3, Lake Mistaesia (W Hood, 11-2 far), ALSO RAN: 6 Rancho Mirage (8th), 13-2 Anytime Anythere, 15-2 Deceit, 8 Night Af Sea (4th), Rivers Rhepsody, 9 Real Foyle (5th), 25 Chipardabit. Old Comrades, Factualis, Shemyl, 33 Spring High, Wolver Gold, 15 ran. Dead heat, hd, nd, nk, sh hd. Lyndseylee - J Berry at Cockarham, Maison Des Fruits - C Allen at Newmertet. Tots: Lyndseylee, 24-30, Maison Des Fruits, 29-10, Lette Mistassku, £2-30. DF: £307-00. CSF-Lyndseylee & Maison Des Fruits \$1.9, Maison Des Fruits & Lake Mistassiu £394-87. Maisons Des Fruits & Lake Mistassiu £394-87. Maison Des Fruits & Lake Mistassiu £394-87. Maisons Des Fruits & Mistassiu £394-87. Maisons Des Fruits & Mistassiu £394-87. Maisons Des Fruits

3.45 HANSON CORONATION CUP (Group I: £81.045: 1m 4f)

IN THE WINGS b c Seder's Wells - High Hawk (Shelith Mohammed) 4-9-0 C Asmussan (15-8 fav; Michael Seely's cap) -1

Rm Bey ch h Mill Reef - Rosia Bay (F Salman) 6-9-0 T Quinn (5-1) 3.

ALSO RAN: 5-2 Roseste Tern (4th), 16 Mondrian (6th), Top Class (5th), 6 rsn. NR: Caccethes, Limeburn. 1½1, 1½1, 151, 151,

CRICKET

First Cornhill Test

9-0 T Quinn (5-1)

Going: good to soft



Willie Carson cruises to a six-length victory on John Dunlop's Moy River in the Staff Ingham Stakes at Epsom

anyone to delay things any longer," said David Elsworth. nger," said David Elsworth.
"The filly is in tremendous shape. I am not a betting man myself but I advise everyone to take the Burlington Bertie (100-30) if they can get it. The fact that the ground has eased has been the principal reason for our

What a thrilling race is promised for the fillies premier classic. Both In the Groove and Salsabil are exceptionally talented fillies and Kartajana's obvious stamina is also bringing her into the reckoning.
William Hills now have In the Groove as their clear favourite

2-1. Ladbrokes have In the Groove and Kartajana as their joint favourite at 9-4. Salsabil is generally on offer at 5-2.

John Dunlop's stable was in form when Carson rode Moy River to a comfortable win in

afterwards Mark Campion, the assistant trainer, said: said that Ireland's premier clas-"Salsabil's very well and we're delighted with the way she's for Blue Stag.

result stands.

4.15 (7f) 1, GRANITTON BAY (W Carson, 13-2); 2, Sharp N' Smooth (Pat Eddery, 11-2 (t-fav); 3, Hermizege Rock (Paul Eddery, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 (t-fav Campa: (5th), 6 Sanawi, 8 Runway Romance (4th), Lady Snooble, 10 Cox Creek, 14 Lars Porsana, 20 Sociem, 25 La Raptotte (6th), 33 Psycho Sonny, 40 Walkern Wisch, 13 ran, Nik, nik, 34, 1131, 34. R Whitzier at Wesherby, Tonz: 24,80;

Y Whiteler at Westerby. Intel 24.50; \$1.90, \$2.30, \$2.50. DF: \$7.30. CSF: \$38.99. Thoast \$325.19. Intel 25.74sec. After a stewards inquiry the result stands.

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4.50 (tim 2) 1, LUCKY GUEST (W Carson, 15-8 lay, Maxadenin's napt; 2, Kaher (M Roberts, 100-30); 3, Snowspin (S Cauthen, 9-1), ALSO RAN; 7-2 Waki Gold (4th), 6 Mantraki, 20 Arabian Silence (5th), 33 Van Winkle, 50 Allure (6th), Popar's Legacy, 9 ran, 31, 21, 34, 41, 154, 1) Durilop at Arundel, Totar 82-10; 51-20, 21-70, 07: £4.70, CSF; 27-93, 2min 11.69acc.

Jackpot: £26,373.10. (Pool of £32,075.40 carried forward to Epsons today).

Beverley

Going good

2.15 (2m 40yd) 1, CIRCUIT RING (W R
Swinburn, 5-1 (h-lav); 2, Gezzymaz (D
Nichols, 11-1); 3, Simply Swell (R Hills, 5-1). ALSO RAN: 5 j.-lav Gelloway Ranter
(4th), 8 Spiritualist, Tongadin (bith), I've
Gotta Tell Ya (5th), Bayford Energy, 11
Tall Measure, 12 Normhurst, 20 Matter Of
Law, 33 Campo, 12 ran. 5t, 3l, 5t, hd, hd.
P Calver at Ripon. Tote: 25,60; 21:50, 25,50, 21:50, 25:542.
Tricast: 2313,14.

Tricast: £313.14.

2.45 (5f) 1, PANAMA PETE (K Darley, 11-4 lay); 2, Gerhashy (J Carroll, 5-1); 3, For Peter's Saite (M Birch, 9-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Joe Blow (5th), Destam (4th), 13-2 Weston, 10 Sunday Sport Gern, 14 Satance Prince, Tender Dencer, 16 Grey Realm, Luck's Chranged, 20 Lisslee (6th), MIss Messure, 33 Miss Pro Vision, 14 ran. 3, 41, 151, nk, 51, M H Easterby at Malton, 17 cts: £8.10; £2.00, £1.80, £4.30. DF: £13.30. CSF: £19.84. No bud.

3.20 (SF: £19.54. NO DO.

3.20 (SF) 1. VINTAGE ONLY (M Birch.
2-1 |1-tav); 2. La Manuara (W Ryan. 9-2; 3.
Tursa For The Blace (K Darley. 8-1). ALSO
RAN: 2. I-fav Diston (Sh). 15-2 Silven
Sailed (4th), 25 Faicon's Domain (5th). 6
ran. Hd, 1%1, sh hd, 4; %1. M H Essterby et
Melton. Tots: £2.80; £1.70, £2.70. DF:
£12.10. CSF: £10.44.

Placepot: £375.40.

come through her preparation.
We're delighted that the ground
has eased. But we wouldn't want
much more rain as there's always the chance of a stamina The stewards held an inquiry

into Moy River's improvement since the two-year-old's first outing at Goodwood, but post-poned the matter until tomorwhen Dunlop will be

Quest For Fame, Blue Stag and Elmaamul, the first three home in Wednesday's Derby, were all reported to have taken the race well yesterday."Quest For Fame has eaten up," said Roger Charlton. "He's got a slight scratch but it's nothing at all serious. Both he and Sanglamore are in most of the good races. The Irish Derby now becomes an obvious target for Quest for Fame." At Epsom, Robert Sangster

20.4U. GSF: E15.79. TROSE E99.44.
4.25 (Im 4f) 1. TYRONE BRIDGE (P. Shenahan, 5-2): 2. Sesame (M. Birch. 10-11 fav); 3. Pan E. Salam (M. A. Gilles, 33-1).
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Monastery (4th). By Churter (5th), 100 Ronald Ivor (5th). 6 ran.
2/41, 33, 51, 2/51, 2/51. M. Pape at Weilington.
Totte: 23.70; E1.50. DF: 52.10. CSF: E5.19.

ES.19.
4.55 (1m 2f) 1, NOT YET (K Derley, 9-1);
2, Touch Above (G Carrer, 7-2); 3, Rudda
Cass (Dana Mellor, 20-1), ALSO RAN. 9-4
fav Miss Relsun (4m), 11-2 Bush Hill (6th),
Thimbalma (5th), 6 Mr Chns Calcemsker,
16 Tread Lika Prince, 25 Black Marketter,
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Wednesday's

late results

Beverley

7.35 (5) 1. Farejet (M Birch, 5-6 lav); 2, Kandara (12-1); 3, Miss El Arab (33-1), 7 ran. 2i, 14i. A Scott. Tota: £1.90; £1.40, £4.20. DF: £7.90. CSF: £11.47.

20.11.
2.35 (5f) 1. Cullinan (L Dettori, 2-5 fav);
2. Viceroy (5-1); 3, Breezy Day (25-1). 10
ran. 31, 1%L L Cumani. Tota: £1.50; £1.20,
£1.40, £2.80. DF: £3.90. CSF: £2.96.

9.5 (2m 40yd) 1, Emeritus (T Quien, 7-4 fav); 2, Spotforth (10-1); 3, Souter's Hill (5-1), 7 ran. 21, 11, P Cols. Tota: £1.60; £1.60, £3.20, OF: £6.70, CSF: £14.42, Woodhead

(8-1) withdrawn, not under orders — rule 4 aplies to all bets, deduction 10p in pound. Placapot: £80.00

● Zoman, who failed to see out the 12-furlong trip when seventh in Wednesday's Ever Ready

Derby, will revert to a mile for Goodwood's Sussex Stakes on

August 1, his trainer Paul Cole reported yesterday.

TENNIS: Direct Line tournament

SPOR I ON TV

BASEBALL: Screensport 1-3 and 9-11pm: Highlights of Major Leegue from the United States.

BOXING: Screensport 3-5 and 11pm; Professional events from the United

pot: £94,80.

Eddery suspended for whip offence

THE slings and arrows of outra-geous fortune overtook Pat Eddery at Epsom yesterday

Fresh from his triumphs in the French and English Derbys on Sanglamore and Quest For Fame, the champion jockey was suspended for three days for improper use of the whip on Wootton Handicap.

In a three-cornered finish, Eddery forced the Jack Berry-trained three-year-old up to Fruits with the third. Night At Sea, only a head away third. Eddery's suspension will run from June 16 to 18 inclusive. He misses Timeform Charity Day at York but returns for Royal

accept that Eddery was using his whip rhythmically, but we have a general guideline that we consider whether a jockey should be called in if he hits a horse more than 10 times. Jockeys in the north have been saying recently that the stewards are highly inconsistent. "We accept there are bound to be some inconsistencies with different panels of stewards." Steveney said. "But the jockeys want it to be done this way without any hard and fast

iceable how willingly his mount

had responded to pressure. Discussing the vexed question

of jockeys' use of the whip, Peter Steveney, the senior stewards' secretary, said: "We entirely

Chance for Klute to put the record straight

By PHIL MCLENNAN

LESLEY Bruce has a long-awaited chance to put the record was naive to run him in those straight at Catterick this after-noon when her 11-year-old stal-full year to recover from the lion, Kiute, takes on stress of racing when sick." Validemosa in the Philip Cornes orld Speed Challen

In his only race to date, 22 months ago, Klute was beaten 25 lengths by So Careful, the subsequent Ayr Gold Cup win-ner, in a Haydock match.

It was at the same Lancashire course two months earlier that Klute had carved a niche in the record books by clocking a world best average speed of 44.91mph over half a furlong in a solo time trial.

Klute was a sick horse at the time of his match and regrets

Bruce remains convinced that

having run him when there were signs that all was not well. "Two days before the race he seemed dull in his behaviour, which was not like him at all. Blood tests taken at the time

Even now she remains hopeful rather than certain that he is

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back to his very best. "I haven't pushed him all the way in his work. It would be silly to leave the race behind on the gallops, wouldn't it?"

Klute's opponent today is Valldemosa, trained like So Careful by Jack Berry. Valldemosa has won only two of her 22 career starts but is a fair sprint handicapper and the betting is certain to strongly favour the Cockerham representative. Whatever the outcome, to-

day's match and all other sprint races at the two-day meeting will provide interesting comparisons with Klute's world record as they will be timed in individual half-furlongs.

Record equalled by Dare

IN riding a double on Mendip nish Sawthan and Green Blos-Express and Osman Express at the South Poole Harriers point-Dare took her season's total to 20, so equalling Josephine Bothway's record for women riders, established in 1974 (Brian Beel writes). What is more remarkable is that Miss Dare's achievement was accomplished from only 27

surprisingly ducked out at the last and Miss Dare, hard at work on Mendip Express, found Cor-

went on to win by five lengths. In the restricted open, Miss Dare, on Osman Express, held off the challenge of off the challenge of Godersmistake by half a length. SOUTH POOLE HARRIERS (Otter) St Mary) Hunt: Another Fizz (Miss A Turner) walked over. Open: 1, Skyn Post (A Wonnacott: 2, Admiral Benbow: 3, Gay Rrythm. 10 ran. Adg: 1, Milistreet (I Henribly; 2, White Supreme; 3, Classical Lines, 7 ran. Ladles: 1, Mendip Express (Miss A Darre); 2, Cornish Sawthan; 3, Green Blossom. 9 ran. Read: 1, Osman Express (Miss A Darre); 2, Godersmistalo; 3, Sallor's Sharthy. 15 ran. Midr: 1, Lee Valley (C Down); 2, Kenston Pride; 3, Royal Promise. 7 ran.

BASEBALL

Dent leaves Yankees after less than a year

THESE days in New York, taking the wrong subway after midnight is almost safe comminingsit is aumost sate com-pared to being a major-league manager. Last week the Mets dismissed Davey Johnson; this week the Yankees gave Bucky Dent the heave-ho.

The Yankees have the poorest won-lost record (18-30) in the big leagues, but they remain within striking distance of first place in the American League Least - er, East - division. In the Big Apple, having to play second fiddle to hated Boston is bad enough, but playing seventh fiddle to the likes of Detroit and Cleveland is downright intolerable. Dent, aged 38, was dismissed on Wednesday after the club had Merrill, a minor-league skipper, replaced Dent, who held the job for 10 months.

This is a tall tale, but every word of it is true. Most pro-fessional pitchers stand 6ft 3in; few deviate from that height by more than one inch. At 6ft 10in. Randy Johnson, of the Seattle Mariners, is the lankiest pitcher in major-league history. He turned in a lowering performance when he beat Detroit 2-0, throwing the first complete-game no-hitter in the American League in more than three years.

Ramon Martinez, of the Los Angeles Dodgers, who is an ordinary 6ft 4in, struck out an extraordinary 18 Atlanta Braves, equalling the club record, in a 6-0 victory. Marti-

nez yielded three hits. Bob Patterson, aged 31, is a nodel of perseverance. Having experienced only the briefest of big-league look-sees during the last eight seasons, he is making the most of a chance with the Pittsburgh Pirates. He moved into the starting rotation in mid-May when John Smiley injured a hand. Patterson beat the Chicago Cubs 6-2 this week and improved his record to four wins and one defeat with the National League East leaders. The batting average of Len Dykstra, of the Philadelphia Phillies, reached .418.

Atlanta chose the shortstop Chipper Jones, a Florida school-boy, with the first turn in the amateur draft. The No. 1 pros-pect, Todd Van Poppel, who has 95mph fastball, shunned the professionals because he plans to pitch for the University of Texas. Oakland took a chance and drafted him fourteenth.

with Cleveland.

TODAY'S FIXTURES **DUBLIN:** Ireland v Worcestershire SPEEDWAY: Knockout Cup: Second round, first leg: Hackney v Eastbourne.

OTHER SPORT

3.55 (71 110yd) 1, TWOTIME BID (R Hills, 100-30 (t-fav); 2, Young Jason (S

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI
CHAMPIONSHIP: Ekestom: Derbyshire v
Surrey; Southampton: Hampshire v
Middlesex; Leicenterr Leicentershire v
Lancashire; Oundle School: Northamptorishire v Gloucestershire; Hove:
Sussex v Worcestershire; Studley;
Warwickshire v Essex; Headingley; Yorkehra v Glenoroman

TRENT BRIDGE: England v New Zeeland **Britannic Assurance**

11.0. 110 overs minimum ILFORD: Essex v Gloucestershire RASINGSTOKE: Hampshire

NORTHAMPTON: Northampton-THE OVAL: Surrey v Derbyshire

BRITISH POWERBOAT GRAND

Over the last 18 years, the Bristol Grand Prix has established itself as the world's premier inland

Three classes of boat, Formula Monohulis, Formula 4 and Formula 1, will race over a 2.86km dog-leg course offering the closest and

powerboating event,

11,30-6.30 THE PARKS: Oxford University v

Denis Tingay's suggestion for a sporting day out championships and three wins at Bristol to his credit is generally considered as the favourite. HOW TO GET THERE: Bristol is

HOW TO GET THERE: Bristol is reached by taking Junction 19 of the M4 onto the M32, which in turn runs directly into the city centre. All routes to the course on the City Docks are clearly signposted. Although there is no parking within the immediate vicinity of the course, various National Car Parks are located within easy walking distance, Bristol Temple Meads train station and the coach station also serve the city centre. Dockside serve the city centre. Dockside standing is free, and seats are available for 25 on Saturday and 27 on Sunday. Refreshment facilities are available.

States.
CRICKET: BBC1 10am-1pm, 1.50-2.20pm and 12.45-1.15pm, BBC2 2.20-5.25pm and BSB 8-10pm: First Controll Test: Coverage and Inglegists of the second day from Trent Bridge.
ECUESTRIANISM: Screensport 9.30-11am: Show jumping: Highlights of the Nations Cup.

MOTORCYCLING: BSB 11-11.30pm; lake of Man TT race. of Man TT race.
MOTOR SPORT: Eurosport 10-11am and
11pm-midnight Highlights of the German
touring car championables, Formula
One: Canadian Grand Prix and German
F3: Screenisport 11am-1pm and 6-8pm;
Highlights of the NASCAR Winston Cup,
Budwelser 500 and rabycose from
Finland: BSB 6.30-7.30pm; 'On Fear
Wheels'. POWERSPORTS INTERNATIONAL:

SCHEENSPORT & STATE AND A STAT RUGBY LEAGUE: BSB 2-3.30pm: Australien league. SPORTSDESK: BSB 1.25, 6.0, 7.30, 10.30

SPORTS PORTRAIT: BSB 4.30-6pm; Sports Portraint; profile.

TENNIS: Eurosport 11em-7pm (combined with football), 7-9pm and 12-1am (tomorrow); Live coverage and further highlights of the French championships from Paris, TENPIN BOWLING: Screensport 5.15-6pm; Highlight of British seatchptay, Rith day.

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Joe Morgan, the manager of Boston, has been suspended for three games for comments he

7.55 COWDRAY HANDICAP (£4.108: 71) (19)

4 5-31 TAKE HEART 17 (CD,F) D Essecuti 4-9-11 S Caudion 15

5 34-9 SIZZUMARI 20 (F.G) G Baking 44-10. — 13
5 34-9 SIZZUMARI 20 (F.G) G Baking 44-10. — 13
6 142- NAWWARI 306 (CD,F.G.S) C Bensued 64-10
7 -000 CAPE PIGEON 23 (BF) L Coursel 54-10. — 7 Leng 14
8 60-9 STORM FRIEE 35 L Coursel 4-9-7 — N Adams 6
9 3230 ELEBANT ROSE 34 (B) O O'Ned 4-9-7 V Steffury (7) 72
10 -000 POINT TAKEN 7 L Current 3-9-5 — L Duston 7
11 084- ROYAL DIGGER 224 J Hudson 4-9-4 — 9 Registered 11
12 50-0 PRESIDER PRINCE 20 (S) L Coursel 4-9-2 — C Restor 13
13 -220 CEF-EN-CEF 20 (S-P) McCourt 5-9-2 — J Rold 2
14 -040 SKY CLOUD 17 (D.S) W Brock 4-9-2 — J Rold 2
15 0-11 ROYAL DARTINOUTN 39 (F.S) 8 Million 5-8-13
F D'Arty 45 (S)

60-2 EMPIRE JOY 7 C Horgen 5-8-8 W Casson 10 5000 CUT UP ROUGH 17 (F) L Coural 6-8-2 T Williams 3

9-4 Take Heart, 3-1 Nawwar, 5-1 Highest Praise, 8-1 Storm Free, Mizzuwart, 12-1 Cee-En-Cee, 14-1 Others.

8.25 ST ROCHE'S CLAIMING STAKES (3-Y-O:

£3.150: 1m) (15)



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In-form Hateel to defy penalty

(MICHAEL PHILLIPS)

FOLLOWING that casily achieved victory in the London Gold Cup at Newbury less than three weeks ago, Hattel, from Peter Walwyn's in-form Lambourn stable, is napped to win the Northern Dancer Handicap at Epsom today.

In common with three of his six opponents, Hateel must now carry a 31b penalty for winning since the weights for this valuable race were published early last month. Yet even with that penalty, he is 6lb better in today than he will be in future handicaps.

Like his sire, Kalaglow, who improved with age, Hateel has looked a better horse this year.

Also, today's race is likely to suit Hateel better than He began the season by winning comfortably at Haydock. Then he was runner-up to the Rosebery winner Salisbury. Starlet in the City & Suburban

By Mandarin

2.35 Tidemark, 3.05 Lift And Load.

4.10 So Careful. 4.45 Spode's Blue.

Going: good to soft

101 (2) 102 (3) 103 (7)

2.00 Heard A Whisper.

.40 HATEEL (nap).

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track in April, but not over today's longer distance which will suit Hateel better.

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Next time out Hateel regained the winning trail at Newbury where he beat the subsequent Sandown winner First Victory more easily than the official margin of 21/2 lengths might indicate.

Even after making every allowance for the fact that this was First Victory's first run of the season, it was still a tidy performance on Hateel's part. importantly, it produced a form line, using First Victory and Nikatas, which suggests that Hateel should have just sufficient in hand to beat the joint top weight Goldbuster

Goldbuster, who was last seen beating Nikatas by four lengths over 14 miles at

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.00 The Old Firm.

3.05 Boy Emperor. 3.40 Bean King.

4.45 Spode's Blue

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runners)

2.35 Tidemark.

On the corresponding occa-Handicap, run on today's sion 12 months ago, local

EPSOM

Selections

By Michael Seely 2.35 Tidemark. 3.05 Boy Emperor. 3.40 HATEEL (nap). The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.15 WAAJIB.

Draw: 5f-7f, high numbers best; 1m, 110yd, low numbers best

SETTING: 3-1 Billy Lomand, 7-2 Mighty Dragon, 9-2 Heard A Whisper, 5-1 Jimill, 8-1 The Old Firm 10-1 Iven The Terrible, Toms Prospect, 16-1 Swift Romance.

1989: DUCK AND DIVE 9-0 B Rouse (8-13 fev) R Hannon 5 ran

FORM FOCUS HEARD A WHISPER indicent and one paced when about 91 5th of 7 to Distinctly North at Goodwood (51, good to firm).

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201 (5) 6-31 MARYLAND WILLIE 17 (D,F) (K Al-Said) D Esworth 9-7 S Casthen 202 (1) 546-584 CRYSTAL BEAM 28 (6) (R Winaley) P Kolowsy 9-7 Pet Eddary 203 (7) 19-01 TEDEMARK 7 (F) (N Crossinseite) L Cument 9-8 (4ex) L Deltoni 204 (6) 63122-6 FLASKING GLORY 32 (G) (F Sainen) M Bell 9-2 J Reid 205 (4) 03-0 KBND 53 (Downger Lady Beavertrook) C Brittein 8-11 M Reberts 206 (3) 01 EASTERN WHSPER 32 (D,F) (K Higson) Denys Smith 8-10 B Rotese 207 (2) 0-40 MAGIC CRYSTAL 25 (W Gredbey) John FitzGerald 8-8 Paul Eddary T Williams 1 Willia

BETTRIC: 11-4 Tidemark, 7-2 Sestern Whisper, 4-1 Maryland Wille, 6-1 Billocal, 8-1 Crystal Beam, 10-1 Flaming Glory, 14-1 Magic Crystal, 16-1 Kino.

1998: RUN DONT FLY 8-9 T Quinn (5-1) P Cole 6 ran

2.0 EBF FLEMINGTON MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,651: 6f) (8 runners)

5 BILLY LONGNO 21 (Mrs B Burchett) R Hannon 9-0...
5 HEARD A WHISPER 18 (D Barter) G Lewis 9-0...
6 IVAN THE TERRIBLE 21 (Lord Sondes) P Cole 9-0...
4 RIGHTY DRAGON 21 (Are M Lindlard) J Lonings 8-0...
34 SWIFT ROMANCE 30 (Mrs N Dutlisk) B Millman 9-0...
7 TOMS PROSPECT 20 (F Ward) C Nelson 9-0...
THE OLD FRIMI (F Foremen) N Callegian 8-11...
42 LIMILL 27 (J Knowles) B Palling 8-8...

2.35 KENTUCKY HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £4,500: 1m 4f) (8 runners)



Peter Walwyn: high hopes for Hateel

trainer Reg Akehurst saddled Gaasid and Gulf Palace to finish first and second. Today. this pair will be joined in the line-up by stable companion Barrish.

On a point of handicapping, Gulf Palace should beat

meeting him on 111b bener Newmarket. terms for a length and half. Yet Gulf Palace is now only 21b better off for an identical defeat at Goodwood last month at the hands of Silver

As for Barrish, he was last seen running well over two miles at Kempton. Well that Bean King, the only other runner, won at York on his seasonal debut, I still feel that today's opposition, headed by Hateel and Goldbuster, will be much harder to beat.

As far as the Sun Life Of Canada Handicap is concerned, I rather like the look of Lift And Load's chance now that is finally being given an opportunity to prove himself over a distance in keeping with his pedigree.

Even over shorter trips be has still run well on most occasions, the most recent being when he finished fourth

3.40 NORTHERN DANCER HANDICAP (\$22,387: 1m 4f) (7 runners)

1989: GAASID 4-8-7 W.R. Swinburn (10-1) R. Akahurat 16 rpn

BETTRIG: 9-2 Sporting Simon, 11-2 Joe Sugden, 6-1 So Cerefut, 7-1 Lucadeo, 8-1 Harry's Coming, Lets-nestaboutit, 10-1 Juvenara, 12-1 Bayaham, 14-1 Restore, Very Adjacent, 16-1 others. 1988: GALLANT HOPE 7-8-4 W Carson (6-1) L. Cottrell 14 ren

4.45 ALBERTA ROSE MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (3-Y-O filies: £3,042: 1m 110yd) (13

4.10 TOKYO TROPHY HANDICAP (£8,846: 6f) (14 runners)

dicep: Maiden Bidder 6-9.

Gazsid this time because he is in the race won by El Paso at

While on the subject of pedigrees, Spode's Blue, my choice to win the Alberta Rose Maiden Fillies Stakes, should appreciate today's trip, having been predictably outpaced over a lesser distance by the useful Local Lass at Leicester earlier this week.

Redden Burn (8.55), who has been entered already for Royal Ascot's Coventry Stakes, is the principal reason for Steve Cauthen's presence this evening at Goodwood, where he can also capture the Cowdray Handicap on Take Heart, a previous course and distance winner.

Lover's Moon, my selection for the Charlton Hunt Handicap, is running for the first time since he beat the recent French Derby winner Sanglamore at Leicester as two-vear-old.

GOODWOOD

Selections By Mandarin

6.30 Brida) Toast. 7.0 Lover's Moon. 7.25 Tyrian Belle. 7.55 Take Heart. 8.25 Marasol. 8.55 Redden Burn.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 6.30 Bridal Toast. 7.0 Busted Rock. 7.25 Perion. 7.55 Point Taken. 8.25 Noble Fellow. 8.55 Redden Burn.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating 7.0 LOVER'S MOON.

Going: good Draw: 5f-1m, high numbers best 6.30 COURT HILL STAKES (3-Y-O: £4,059: 1m 2f) (2

1-4 Bridge Toest, 5-1 Weating.

7.0 CHARLTON HUNT HANDICAP (£3,552: 1m 4f)

4 51- LOYER'S MOON 213 (F) G Harwood 3-8-12

5 \$122 TIGER CLAW 13 (0.F) R Hodges 4-8-11 ... W Cartenie 1 6 1-33 RUM RICH 15 (0.F.C) P Machel 7-8-11 ... W Carten 7 7 1105 SUPER GUINNER 28 (0) M Fetherston-Godiny 5-9-5

7 1100 SUPER GURNER 28 (D) M Fetherston-Godiey 5-8-5 Dein Gilgeon (3) 4 8 5311 DADLY'S DARLING 31 (D.F.S) J Gifford 5-7-10... — 8 4-5 Lover's Moon, 3-1 Charden, 11-2 Tiger Claw, Daddy's Dading, 8-1 Super Gunner, 12-1 Run High, 16-1 others. 7.25 WEST DEAN CLAIMING STAKES (£2.978: 5f)

5-4 Tyrizis Beile, 2-1 Perion, 5-1 Grown At Rowen, 8-1 Al-weys Ready, 14-1 Longiri Sister, 16-1 others.

Course specialists

TRADIERS: H Cool, 37 withouts from 92 runners, 40.2%; G Hanwood, 47 from 170, 27 6%; D Murray Smith, 3 from 11, 27.3%; Mrs L Paggas, 4 from 17, 23.5%; L Curmeni, 22 from 97, 22.7%; C Nelson, 6 from 36, 16.7%. JOCKEYS: 9 Raymond, 8 wanners from 26 ndes, 30.8%; L Detton, 7 from 31, 22.6%; S Cauthen, 44 from 228, 19.3%; R Cockmans, 25 from 154, 16.2%; W Carson, 41 from 268, 15.3%; M Roberts, 17 from 112, 15.2%.

9 8480 MARASOL 7 (D.F.) J Durkop 8-6 W Carrier 9
10 6-45 ANTIQUE ANDY 82 D Minray Smith 8-5. R Wernham 8
11 850- DANCING MAY 240 P Howing 8-2 T Williams 15
12 50-0 MCHRIR 21 M Uster 8-2 T Williams 15
13 50-P ZHYAGO'S PASSION 22 J Bridger 8-2 M Adeless 9
14 -200 PLAY THE BLUES 14 B Harbury 8-0 R South (7) 10
15 6-05 THE (SLAND 21 (5) M Haynes 8-0 12
2-2 Mobile Eviliam 7-2 Incides to 6 L Minraed R-1 Min-5-2 Noble Fellow, 7-2 Intuitive Jos, 5-1 Marasol, 8-1 Mis-that, 12-1 Fighting Brave, USA Ooliar, 14-1 others. 8.55 CARNES SEAT MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,933: 6f) (12) 4 ALTON BAY 20 A Scott 9-0. BARSAC M Usher 9-0.
CLETON CHARLE C Nelson 9-0.
DAZZLE THE CROWD C CYZER 9-0.
FLYNIO BRAVE J DUNIOS 9-0.
HAREDEN G HISTWOOD 9-0.
LEVADE J FERSINGER 9-0.
MARMATE'S CROWN P HERTE 9-0.
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CATTERICK BRIDGE

Selections

By Mandarin 2.15 Valldemosa. 2.45 Calvanne Miss. 3.15 Model Village. 3.50 Mississippi Beat. 4.25 Active Movement. 4.55 Tour Eiffel. 5.25 Love Street.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 3.15 Invitation Waltz. 3.50 Fugler's Folly. 4.55 Tour Eiffel. 5.25 Figment.

Going: good to firm SIS Draw: 51-71, low numbers best 2.15 PHILIP CORNES WORLD SPEED CHAL-LENGE (No penalty value: 5f) (2 runners)

1 2/ KLUTE 965 Miss L Brace 11-9-4....... Miss L Brace 1 2 5060 VALLDEMOSA 42 (D.F.G) J Berry 4-9-4...... J Cerroll 2 1-12 Validemosa, 8-1 Klute,

FORM FOCUS VERY ADJACENT 2

Juny (8f. good in firm) with LETSECONESTASOUTTI
(10D worns off) 9 7th of 18. JOE SUGGEN makes

quick resppearance after finishing creditable head
2nd to Midmil Bunker here (8f. good) on Wednesday,
previously occupied same place behind R A Express
when besten 15d at Chester (5f. good).

DENSSEN has disappointed eince deteating Crothera Cine 31 at Haydock (8f. firm) with 50 CAREFUL
(7th better off) 113d 7th. LETSECONESTABOUTTI (25)

Selection: JOE SUGGEN

Selection: JOE SUGGEN 2.45 SCORTON SELLING HANDICAP (\$2,553: 6f)

130 SINGING STAR 11 (D,F) J Baiding 4-10-0
2 4005 PREDICTABLE 15 R Whitaker 49-12.... 3 Turner (7) 2
3 060- KENTRA 344 T Barton 4-9-11
4 340- MORNING JOY 270 W Petros 3-99... D Nicholis 5
5 0-00 GENESCAR 11 (D,F) M Cheriss 4-9-5. C Hedgeon (7) 9
5 2503 HINARI HI R 10 (C,D,F) W Halph 5-9-5... S Webster 12
7 -004 SIEANYS REFE 44 J Bradley 5-9-4... A Tricker (7) 1
8 4050 BISSAY SREEF 44 J Bradley 5-9-4... A Tricker (7) 1
9 00-1 CALVANNE MISS 11 (F,Q) R Hodgeo 4-9-1 G Hand (5) 3
10 60-0 MISTER'S SISTER 27 M Johnston 3-9-1... R P Elliott 5
11 0000 MINES A DOUBLE 11 (CD,F) R Holistinaed 5-9-0
G Paintin (7) 13

12 00-0 BREAK LOOSE 15 (5,D,G) D Chapman 4-8-12

13 0-34 TEXAS SLUE 38 M British 3-8-10

3-1 Cahenne Miss. 4-1 Hinari Hi Fi, 5-1 Singing Star, 6-1 Predictable, 8-1 Susan's Reel, Mine's A Double, 10-1 others. 3.15 MERRYBENT GRADUATION STAKES (3-Y-O fillies: £2,394: 7f) (3) 1 INVITATION WALTZ 25 (D,G) L Cu

6-4 Model Village, 7-4 Invitation Weltz, 5-2 Last Blessing.

Course specialists TRAINERS: H Cocil, 7 winners from 16 numbers, 43.8%; L Current, 10 from 26, 35.7%; B Hills, 14 from 43, 32.6%; M Stoute, 6 from 21, 28.6%; P Cole, 8 from 28, 27.6%; A Stowart, 5 from 21, 23.8%.

23.0CKEYS; J Carroll, 19 winners from 106 rides, 17.9%; M Hills, 8 from 45, 17.8%; R Hills, 6 from 34, 17.8%; M Birch, 37 from 226, 16.4%; T Quiren, 4 from 27, 14.8%; J Fortune, 4 from 30, 13.3%.

3.50 LESLIE PETCH HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,448: 1m 5f 180yd) (11) 1 5-30 ALLEZ-OOPS 11 Jimmy Fitzgerald 9-7 K Fallon 4 2 4223 FUOLER'S FOLLY 11 W Haggas 9-6 M HIBS 19 3 00-0 COUTURE BRIOVATORS 41 P Maidn 8-12 11-4 Fugler's Folly, 7-2 Cali Racecall, 9-2 Mississippi Best Equinor, Aliaz-Cops, 8-1 Pipistrelle, 12-1 others. 4.25 GILLING MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,413: 5f) (10)

7-4 Active Movement, 2-1 Star Connection, 5-1 Ten Kles, 7-1 Basyrain, 8-1 Graceland Lady, 12-1 others.

4.55 SCOTCH CORNER MAIDEN SWEEPSTAKES (£2,554: 1m 4f 40yd) (6)

7-4 Dooler, 5-2 Tour Effet, 4-1 Danesh, 11-2 Lectard, 7-1 Tew Talent, 33-1 Olde Cyder. 5.25 JERVAULX HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,490: 5f)

1 5-23 LOVE STREET 24 P Cole 9-7 T Codes 9
2 IS-0 CALAHONDA DAVE 13 D Crispman 9-8 K Fallon 11
3 -982 MHATTEP 8 A Robson 9-5 K Poligies 14
5-8 SECOND TO NONE 14 (8) J Berry 9-5 J Cases 8
5-909 MAGIC BILLET 319 J Etterington 8-9 A Manno 2
6 -906 LADY ALONE 15 J Corporate 8-8 N Hamor 2
7 5-98 HARMY DORNIS 51 J H WISON 8-4 G Hind (6) 6
8 909 LA PLACE 287 D Crispman 8-2 N Councome 1
9 054 FIGHENT 212 M Prescott 8-0 G Microscope 1
10 0004 SHEBA'S PAL 11 G Butt 7-9 M Gardinas (6) 16
11 00-0 MEEDMOOD NIGHTLEF 18 B Morgan 7-8 C Hodgson (7) 8

SOUTHWELL

Selections By Mandarin

3.30 Donovan Rose, 4.0 Waad, 4.30 Tamise, 5.0 Mr Moccasin, 5.30 Longshoreman, 6.0 The Shanahan Bay.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

3.30 Xafu Xafu. 4.0 Waad. 4.30 Grey Wolf. 5.6 Tristan's Comet. 5.30 Certain Creator. 6.0 The Shanahan Bay.

Going: standardDraw: 51-7f, low numbers best 3.30 CADOGAN HANDICAP (\$2,679: 7f) (16

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1 3011 SMALL FEE 12 (CD,S) M Britisin 5-10-3 S Makeney (S) 10
2 4415 DORKOVAN ROSE 7 (F,G,S) J Berry 5-9-13 ... K Darkey 7
3 0-12 ATTCH WESE 13 (CD,SF,G,S) Laby Herrise 7-9-13
G Foother (7) 4
4 0005 HANSOM LAD 20 (C) W Haleh 7-9-10 ... B Grossley 73
5 1204 LONDON STANDARD 27 P Mitchell 5-9-5 G DURISHIE 14
6 4115 JASCHA 718 (D,BP) M Bell 4-9-1 ... A Clark 6
7 0500 BANKER MASON 8D Yeomes 4-9-0 Death McKlausen 16
8 000 XAPIX XAPI 1984 IN Tompkins 4-9-13 ... G Center 9
9 2006 CHAMPON GREL 9 (C,F) A Belloy 4-9-3 ... J Clarken 1
10 0003 FELICALA 6 (F) E incst 4-8-8 ... Kim Traker 3
11 2060 DENTZ 6 (V,S) C Horse 6-6-4 ... R Misseus 2
2 -000 NOFADOR 14 (G,S) F incs 6-8-4 ... R Legalo (5) 5
13 -500 ELOFAHABIT 10 (F) E Berratt 4-7-13 ... A Shoulks 8
14 000 VALTEY MILLS 26 (D,F,G,S) T Berron 10-7-13
Weod (5) 15 14 0/00 VALLEY MRCLS 25 (U.F.G.S.) 1 Burton 10-7-13 S Wood (S) 15 15 03-8 REMWOOD GRRL 13 (D.G.) K Bridgwater 4-7-9 A Proud 16

16 5400 TARISTEAC 75 (B.G.S) S Bowring 10-7-7

4.0 BELGRAVE SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,679:

10 (10)

1 014 DOWN THE MODDLE 17 (BF,0) J Berry 9-2 G Carter 12
2 0000 PROMOZ 7 A Pross 6-11 — A Mescley 14
3 GYNCRAK GAMBILE M H Essarby 6-11 — K Badley 6
4 HOMESTEAD LAD D Chapman 8-11 — S Wood (3) 17
5 550 PRINCE PERIOR 11 N TRINGE 8-11 — Nan Tridde 9
6 0 RHEIN LEGEND 10 J Wattly 8-11 — Dean McRooms 10
7 00 ARREIN EXPRESS 67 K Wangrove 6-11 — S Davenon 15
8 SPINNEYOVER J Harris 8-11 — Dean McRooms 10
9 TODAY'S FAMCY 2 Pat Mitchell 8-11 Julie Bowlee (5) 2
10 3355 WAAD 7 N Callaghan 8-11 — G Duffleld 1
11 DRINGS PARTY J Wharton 8-6 — A Proof 12
12 6 FILL THE SAL 16 K Brassey 8-8 — B Marcus 3
13 0 GALLERY LADY 13 J Wharton 8-6 — A Shootas 5
14 0 GREY CHARES 4 M British 8-6 — S Maloney (5) 7
15 JULIE HUFF W G M Turner 8-8 — G Banter 8
7-2 Down The Middle, 9-2 Fill The Sal, 5-1 Wasd, 6-1
17 ymcrack Gamble, 7-1 Phein Legend, 10-1 others.

4.30 BLOOMSBURY MAIDEN GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (3-Y-O: £2,060: 7f) (16)

SWEEPSTAKES (3-Y-O: £2,060: 77) (16)

1 BRIGHT START W Heigh 8-0 J Carr 19
2 0-42 GREY WOLF 14 R Wilmins 9-0 B Mentus 13
3 4000 ORATEL FLYER 29 R Thompson 9-0 P Strubbers 12
4 244- PERSHAN SILITAN 310 A Moore 9-0 Candy Morris 15
6 4-00 SCOTTISH REPURIN 15 J Berry 9-0 K Darby 16; 5 6
4-00 SCOTTISH REPURIN 15 J Berry 9-0 K Darby 16; 7
7 THATCHER'S DILEMMA D Arburbook 9-0 K Darby 16
7 SWITAGE TYPE 15 J Warms 9-0 Deen Meckeyen 2
9 44 FIGHTUNG CHRISTINE 13 J Gosden 8-9 G Duffield 6
10 SCS- LANZAROTE 216 A Belley 8-9 G Duffield 6
10 SCS- LANZAROTE 216 A Belley 8-9 G Barboot 14
12 0-00 MINESER MESS 14 Don Enroc Inciss 8-8 Kin Timber 8
13 06 O'BEROW'S DAUGHTER 13 R Thompson 8-9 A Proud 2
16 4 PULPIT ROCK 25 R Johnson Houghton 8-9 A Poud 2
16 0-YALDUROUS 266 M Janua 8-9 C Duyer 1
16 0-YALDUROUS 266 M Janua 8-9 C Duyer 1
16 1-1 Tambso 7-2 Fighting Christine, 6-1 Grey Wolf, 8-1 6-4 Tamise, 7-2 Fighting Christine, 6-1 Grey Wolf, 8-1 Loite, 10-1 Virtage Type, 12-1 Pulpst Rock, 14-1 others.

Course specialists

TRANIERS: C Neison, 3 winners from 5 runners, 50.0%; Lady Hernes, 4 from 9, 44.4%; T Barron, 20 from 53, 37.7%; E Riden, 3 from 9, 37.5%; M Prescott, 3 from 10, 30.0%; A Bailey, 3 from 24, 12.3%. JOCKEYS: G Duffield, B winners from 59 rides, 13.5%; S Majoney, 7 from 55, 12.7%; G Carler, 7 from 55, 12.7%; S Wood, B trom 70, 11.4%; Deen McKeown, 4 from 40, 10.0%, (Only 5.0 GROSVENOR HANDICAP (3-Y-O: \$2,595: 1m)

1 5601 HACEHIDA 20 (CD) J Watts 9-7 ____ Dean McKevenn 1
2 66-0 GOOD SKRLS 52 G Pritcherd-Gordon 9-1 __ W fibod 6
3 65-0 TRISTAM'S COBET 69 M Jerus 9-0 ____ J Duten 12
4 634 MR BROCKSSN 35 (69-) Glover 9-12 ____ G Bacter 5
5 3000 DANCRIG EARL 20 C Britten 9-9 ____ A Shootes 10
7 6058 SHAPP RURNER 20 Chapman 8-6 ____ S Wood (9) 0
8 3484 LUCK O'THE 99591 7 N Triviter 8-4 ___ King Table 9
9 403 HARNEST MINSTREL 13 (8) M H Easterby 8-0 Centre 1
10 000- LADY LONGLEAT 239 M Britain 7-13. S Missioney (3) 6
11 0-50 CAPTAIN CHOOME 75 K Britain 7-13. S Missioney (3) 6
11 0-50 CAPTAIN CHOOME 75 K Britain 7-13. S Missioney (3) 6
11 0-50 CAPTAIN CHOOME 75 K Britain 7-13. Tristan's Cornet, 8-1 Luck O' The Irish, 7-1 Sharp Runner, 10-1 Mr Moccessin.

30 Carlyle Maiden Guaranteed Sweep

STAKES (£2,060: 1m 4f) (11)

2 S2A4 TROJAN DEBUT 25 (BF) R Juckes 4-9-7 D Monodath (7) B 3 Q/O REVEREND MOTHER 48 N Kerneck 4-9-2 R Street 5 4 9-40 SOUND INISECT 38 Americang 4-9-2 B Creamby 1 6 52 CERTAIN CREATOR 20 John FizGerald 8-8-5 1 DONO SHUNCIRA BLEND 11J (V) R Dickin 5-9-7 7 C DANCING COVE 64 M Prescot 3-8-5....... G DidS 8 00-2 LONGSHOREMAN 13 F Johnson Houghton 3-8-5

5-2 Longshoremen, 3-1 Society Ball, 4-1 Certain Creator, 7-1 Girtherbird, 10-1 Trojan Debut, 12-1 others.

6.0 BARCLAY HANDICAP (£2,826; 5f) (18) 1 8041 DISTANT RULER 10 (V.D.F.G.S) C Neison 6-10-1 (Sec) 5 Housins 6

2 6502 THE SHANAHAH BAY 11 (B,CD,F) E Eidin 5-9-4 2 6502 THE SHANAHAM BAY 11 (B,CD,F) E Edin 5-9-4
A Mediatry 12
3 2102 CRAMAPU 15 (D,F,G) M H Easterby 4-9-3, K Starley 10
4 00-1 REDMET 13 (CD) D Chapman 3-9-2... S Wood (3) 16
5 0002 UNDERTONES 13 (B) J Glover 3-9-10 Dean Mackanam 5
6 6000 SUPPRIME BLUES 20 (B,C) M Statesh 4-9-10
7 0-00 DIABO 13 F Lee 3-8-9. S Mackanay (5) 9
8 1-94 MARTIN-LAVELL POST 13 (D,BF,G) M Prescot 3-6-6
0 Duffield 13

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Beverley stewards fine Thompson and Elliott

RON Thompson, the Doncaster trainer, and jockey Bobby Elliott were each fined £600 for ailing to run Daazam on its merits in the Eton

Sciling Stakes at Beverley yesterday.

Dazzam, who eased in the betting from 3-1 to
11-2, finished just over five lengths fourth to
Panama Pete, the 11-4 favourite. Watto, Thompson's other runner, was solidly supported from 10-1 to 13-2 but finished only tenth.

Thompson, clearly upset by the fine is planning to appeal. Elliot said: "My orders were to do my best but in no circumstances to hit the illy as she was in season." Dazzam was claimed for 6,200 guineas by Bill

O'Gorman, the Newmarket trainer, but later returned to Thompson in a private deal.

Vintage Only, trained by Peter Easterby, is a probable runner in the Windsor Castle Stakes at Royal Ascot after winning the GRP Massey Two

BETTING: 5-2 Scannad Goodess, 7-2 Never In The Red, 9-2 Party's Over, 6-1 Mushy Bolf, 15-2 Sw Dears, 8-1 Shephard's Song, 10-1 others. 1989: RANNOCH HOUSE 7-9 K Brownsword (33-1) T Fairburs) 11 : in 7.15 PADDOCK HANDICAP (£4,370: 6f) (13 runners) \$152 × 30 × 1 g → 1800 c 100 Long handlesp: Twilight Falls 7-3.

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23 SCENTED GODDESS 8 (SF) (B Maloney) R Hamon 8-0

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5 DOLLY 800 11 (A Nicholson) M H Easterby 7-11

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(4) 0-0003 GLWYD LODGE 20 (P Bartley) D Thom 7-7 .. 月 川村 5 Long handicate: Clayd Lodge 7-3. BETTING: 3-1 As D'Eboll, 7-2 Miss Adventure, 4-1 Yallo, 9-2 Hear A Nightingale, 6-1 Surcost, 8-1 Beau 1989: MERRY NUTKIN 3-9-3 N Day (9-4) W Haggas 15 ran **Course specialists** JOCKEYS Rumers Per cent 12 25.0 58 22.4 106 22.2 82 22.0 23 21.7 16 18.8 C Well G Harwood B Hels M Stoute J Toller

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HUGH ROUTLEDGE

Warwickshire lead Middlesex by 129 runs on first innings. MIKE Gatting had to go to hospital with a cut head yesterday after he was hit by a ball from Allan Donald, Warwickshire's South African fast bowler. The accident happened during an unexpected collapse by Middlesex, who lost nine wickets for 102 runs after they were 141 for one at

Play was held up for 12 minutes as Gatting received treatment at the end of the over in which he was struck. Though dazed, he insisted on continuing his innings, though it is a moot point whether he should have been allowed to The ball struck Gatting on

the left-hand side of his helmet and a bolt in the helmet caused a half-inch "indenta-tion cut" behind his ear. He went for a precautionary check to hospital where no long-term damage was found. Gatting was advised against taking any further part in the game yesterday. As it turned

bad light preventing Warwick-shire starting their second Benjamin, who finished with five for 71, his best championship figures, and Donald were mainly responsible for the Middlesex batting breakdown. The follow-on

out, he was not needed, with

LORD'S (second day of three): and Fraser, the last two batsmen, were together. From the brisk and

Haynes and Roseberry began the Middlesex innings, it seemed that an enormous score was on the cards. Warwickshire declared at their overnight total and initially their bowlers found the pitch as unhelpful as it had been on Wednesday.

Haynes already has four hundreds behind him this season. Less obvious but equally important has been the part he has played in helping Roseberry belatedly fulfil his long acknowledged potential. For two hours, runs flowed freely. Haynes had reached 67, with 12 fours, when Donald returned and had him caught behind as he drove loosely.

Benjamin's first over after lunch brought the dismissals Roseberry and Ramprakash, leg-before from his second and third balls. Gatting's accident happened shortly afterwards.

Roseberry moved in front and tried to turn a ball towards mid-wicket. Ramprakash pushed forward defensively and clearly disagreed with the umpire's ver-

Gatting never took his eyes off the ball that hit him, as he tried to sway out of the way but it failed to rise as much as play resumed after the lengthy hold-up. Gatting and Brown were out in successive overs. Brown edged a catch to first slip; Gatting booked a log hop to deep square-leg. By tea, Downton and Williams had gone and Middlesex were 214 for seven, still nine runs short of saving the follow-on.

Rain prolonged the interval and 18 overs were lost. When play re-started, Emburey lifted a catch to long leg. Middlesex were still two runs short when Hughes swatted a catch to cover. As Fraser defended, Tufnell finally took a crucial single from each paceman. Further runs came from unintended strokes before Benjamin uprooted Fraser's off

Total (81.5 overs)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-130, 2-142, 3-142, 4-178, 5-178, 6-191, 7-204, 8-219, 9-221. BOWLING: Donald 25-5-80-3; Benjamin 22.5-5-71-5, Muniton 18-7-36-0; P. A. Smith 11-3-48-2; N. M. K. Smith 5-1-15-0.

Cook is first to 1,000 runs

BASINGSTOKE (second day of three): Hampshire, with eight first-innings wickets in hand, are 202 runs åhead of Somerset IN A day strewn with incidents, the most notable was a brilliant innings by Jimmy Cook. Somer-set's South African opening an became the first player to reach 1,000 runs for the firstclass season, beating by two weeks the time taken by him for a similar accomplishment last

What is more, he achieved his goal in the grand manner, careering to his first 50 runs from just 36 balls, stroking 11 fours with the minimum of fuss, leaving poor Joseph. in particular, wondering at the gentle whirlwind which had cost him 40 runs from his five overs with

Tavaré's declaration after 18 overs left Somerset 168 runs behind and a match in prospect, despite the loss thus far of 85 overs. It also left Cook on erage of 100. This pleasing symmetry needed the collusion of Nicholas and Tavare, the respective captains, not least on the part of Nicholas in declining to enforce the follow-on.

It was brought about, too - or at least Hampshire's handsome lead was - by the reluctance of Somerset's fielders to hold on to their catches. By the time spell by Rose accounted for him Nicholas declared with 257 runs and for Terry. Swallow showed

on the board, seven chances had the way towards a Somerset been grassed, six of them vesfielding resurgence by taking a terday. Middleton, the cornergood catch in the gully to get rid stone of Hampshire's first of Middleton and there is all to innings effort, was dropped play for today. when 11. Terry twice while adding 14 to his over night

score, and Joseph three times. Jones's appeals split the heavens on two occasions, as much from disappointment at the fielding as any real hope of gaining a decision. He and Mailender bowled especially well in the face of early suffer-

Total (6 with dec. 96 overs) . ing, although Rose picked up the lion's share of wickets, the result A Connor and P J Baldter did not bet. ALL OF WICKETS: 1-88, 2-117, 3-118, 4-18, 5-233, 6-254, of whole-hearted endeavour. Middleton's innings of 90 216, 5-633, 6-634. BOWLING: Jones 20-2-56-1; Mallender 26-7-50-1; Rose 25-1-84-3; Swellow 8-2-24-0; Hayhurst 11-5-12-1; Trump 8-1-24showed high promise. Another 10 runs would have brought him his first century in five first-class Second innings
V.P. Terry low b Rose

outings - this following five successive hundreds for Hamp-Smith not outb Middleton c Swallow b Rose . Now, he batted for 21/2 hours. defending soundly and driving strongly for the bulk of his 12 boundaries. He was accompa-Total (2 wids) CJ Nicholas, †R J Parks, L A Jos

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-12. little stand before, once again, the Hampshire captain was SOMERSET: First Innings forced to give way to the lingering effects of the malaria which has plagued him through-Total (no witt dec, 18.2 overs) ... A N Hayturst, "CJ Taveré, R J Harden, †N D Burns, G D Rose, I G Swallow, H R J Trump, N A Mallender and A N Jones did out the season. Middleton saw the other side

BOWLING: Selder 4-1-24-0; Joseph 5-1-40-0; Connor 5.2-1-23-0; Maru 4-2-2-0. batted again through the last 15 overs of the evening. A lively spell by Rose accounted for him ita: Hampshire 3, Son

Another test for Yorkshire

Driving force: Franklin finds the boundary off Hemmings during the Test match yesterday. Report, page 48

TUNBRIDGE WELLS (second day of three): Kent have scored 333 for five wickets against

Fordham

continues

fine form

By TONY WINLAW

NORTHAMPTON: Leicester-

shire, with eight second-innings wickets in hand, are 212 runs

RAIN again interferred with

progress on the second day here yesterday but, at least, the

marked improvement in batting form this season by Alan

Fordham, Northamptonshire's

opener, was again confirmed as

he scored 59 not out in their 95

for one declared.

Northamptonshire had dis-

missed Leicestershire for 261, but after lunch, at 46 for one, 19

overs were lost to rain and then,

after Fordham and Geoff Cook

had prospered in a partnership

of 51 in 10 overs, another storm

On resumption North-

amptonshire somewhat generously declared, still 166 runs

behind on the first innings, but

at least with prospects today of a

Leicestershire declaration and a fourth-innings run chase. Some hostile bowling by Capel gained two quick second-innings wick-

ets but the visitors led by 212

runs at the close.
On this slow pitch Fordham

and Felton, successfully won the duel with Benjamin and Agnew,

in an opening partnership of 44. Benjamin should have had

Felton caught at second slip by Whitaker, but just one run later

the left-hander hooked the first

ball from Mullally, the change

bowler, into the hands of Benja-

min at square leg.
For Leicestershire, who had

resurred at 210 for six, Benson looked well set for his maiden hundred before being caught at slip by Capel for 86. As the last three wickets fell for two runs,

Capel caught another one at second slip. Both were off the

bowling of Penberthy, aged 20,

thead of Northamptonshire.

FOR a county which has yet to record a championship victory or a first-class century this season. Yorkshire will have much to do if they are to win today. This, of course, assumes that a forfeiture of innings is forthcoming from both sides. It has been made possible owing to Neil Taylor's unbeaten century and telling innings from Mark Benson and Graham Cowdrey.

It was another day affected by the weather. Owing to rain and bad light, 20 overs were lost. Also, overnight rain had seeped under the covers, resulting in a damp patch just short of a length at the pavilion end which seemingly inhibited the bats-

Effectively it accounted for Benson, the ball stopping as he shaped to hook Hartley, but fortunately for Kent there was no one to exploit it fully. Jarvis was off the field, having pulled a

sore feet and damaged figures.

No one is quite sure which is the

main reason for the glut of runs that 1990 has so far witnessed -

though I suspect better pitches -but the upshot is that several

county captains and managers

have been forced to reassess the

capabilities of their bowling

What is certain is that in these

bowlers are having to do some

thing special to obtain their

wickets, through sheer pace,

swing or spin. There is no margin of error for the medium-pace plodder, the seam bowler

who relies on putting the ball in the right place and letting the wicket or the seam do the rest.

Bowling techniques and ac-tions are being examined in an

attempt to gain that extra ingredient and the logical, and

pleasing conclusion is that if

these conditions continue, bet-

ter English bowlers will be produced. But the process will

In the interim, several coun-

ties will be showing more than a passing interest in the competition for the ICC Trophy,

which is taking place in The

The Test and County Cricket

Board regulations allow Euro-pean Community residents to play first-class cricket without

receiving the "overseas" tag, a fact which will become more

pertinent in 1991, when each

county will be allowed to reg-

For the past decade, the Dane, Ole Mortensen, of Derbyshire,

ister only one overseas player.

has been terrorising county

other than one testing spell by top-edged Moxon to square leg. His innings of 67 had lasted 199 Carrick, military medium predominated. Hartley has bowled 36 overs in the innings. Taylor's century, his second and five fours.

of the season, was uncomplicated, acquisitive, and scored slowly. Much the same could be said of every innings he plays. This century took him four and a half hours and included eight fours. Until Fleming and Marsh came in and galvanised him into quick singles and chancing his arm, there was no one to give him the necessary impetus.

With Cowdrey, Taylor added 146 in 62 overs. There were spurts of scoring and periods when they struggled to hit the ball off the square. In spite of having been left out of Kent's side on occasion this season. Cowdrey has joined the double Total (5 wkts) core at 100 overs: 303 for F and triple century makers high in the national averages. Again

he was admirably consistent. He was circumspect when facing Carrick, other than when he struck a six over long on with minimum backlift, and at times he square cut the medium pacers savagely. His shovelled

son's flood of runs has taken Paul Parker, the Sussex captain, to The Netherlands. Here he

batsmen and umpires, Paul-Jan

Bakker, of Hampshire, from The Netherlands has become an

effective seam bowler and the new signing at Somerset, Roland Lefebyre, another

Dutchman, has already proved

have a good chance of reaching the final here, and for a county

captain who has a few days to

contemplate his battered bowl-

petition représents

sources of talent.

search goes on.

ng reserves, the ICC com-

opportunity to view alternative

The cricket here has been

interesting, not least because of the matted wickets on which all

the matches are played. The ball skids quickly off the surface and

allows generous bounce for quick and spin bowlers alike. The overall standard of the cricket played by both

Netherlands and Denmark has impressed but, so far, have brought me no joy. The best three bowlers I have seen are

those mentioned above, so the

Scarch goes on.

Scores: Group A: Singapore 108 (M P. Jarvis 4-21); Zimbabwe 109-0 (G A. Paterson 52 not out, G W Flower 53 not out, Zimbabwe won by 10 wickets. Malaysia 148; Caneda 153-2. Canada won by 8 wickets. Group B: Fiji 169-8 (C. Browne 66); Kenya 189-6, Kenya 199-6, Middelsan 54); East and Central Africa 94 (O H Mortensen 4-30). Desmark von by 103 runs. Group 19-1-109 (Kenya 197-7); Netherlands 184-3 (N Clarke 116 not out). Netherlands won by 7 wickets. Argentina 127: Israel 129-9, Israel won by 1 wicket.

Both Holland and Denmark

his worth to his new county.

reports his findings

Captains in need

of a strike force

sunny spring, flat seams and capable of stemming this sea-featherbed pitches has given son's flood of rune beautiful sea-

hook brought him runs until he minutes and included two sixes

Yorkshire's out-cricket was pretty sloppy all day. As invariably happens when a side strug-gles in the field, the ball followed the less athletic among them. Today, assuming the forfeitures take place. Yorkshire will be put to the test. But then every day in their present plight can be

KENT: First innings
I finites c Banstow b Jarvis
R Benson c Metcaffe b Hardey _
Taylor not out
Fleming c Kellett b Hardey _
R Cowdrey c Kellett b Moson
Wells c Bairstow b Hardey _
A Marsh not out

R M Elison, P S de Villiers, R P Davis and A P loglesden to bat A F igglesden to bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-42, 2-84, 3-230, 4-243, 5-277. YORKSHIRE: "M D Moton, A A Metcalle R J Blakey, S A Kellett, P E Robinson, †C L Bairstow, P Carnok, C White, P Hartley, P W Jarvis and D Gough.

A brighter outlook for Wales

MINOR COUNTIES CRICKET By MICHAEL AUSTIN

WALES, eagerly casting the net for new players to improve their instant discovery in Colin Williams, a seam bowler from

Haverfordwest.
Williams, aged 24, began with four for 47 in the draw with Buckinghamshire at Slough and will also play in the match against Shropshire, starting on Sunday at Usk.

Since entering the champ-ionship two years ago, Wales have finished next to bottom of the Western Division both times. They have achieved only

one win, over Cheshire last June, in 19 games. Andrew Puddle, the new Wales captain who plays for Colwyn Bay, has appeared in every match and believes his team have the spirit and skill to achieve better results. He said:
"We have a \$0-50 split of
players from North and South
Wales and will benefit this
season from having a good leftarm spinner in Philip North,
who previously played for who previously played for

Glamorgan."
Cornwall, bottom of the Western Division seven times in the past eight years, are also showing signs of a revival, having earned a Holt Cup quarter-final place. They will meet Devon at

Falmouth on June 17.

An eight-wicket win over Wiltshire at Truro was only Cornwall's second victory in eight years of cup games and by coincidence, their previous success two summers ago was also against. Wiltshire at the same

Comwall have yet to open their championship programme but Shropshire have already made a promising start with 12 points from their 55-run win over Dorset at Sherborne John Abrahams, the former

Lancashire captain, who failed to score in his debut innings for Shropshire last summer, began this season by taking five wick-ets for 103 and scoring a hundred against Dorset. He has shown an immediate liking for playing against them.

Last summer, Abrahams

nade 103 not out against them and took eight for 51, including the hat trick, with his off spin, which is proving a considerable which is proving a considera asset to his adopted county.

Zarubin in luckless run on day of drama

CYCLING

in

By PETER BRYAN

than Sergei Zarubis who rode his way into the Milk Race records yesterday with a lone breakaway effort that took him through the glories and the District route from Penrith to Morecambe.
With no plan conceived be-

fore the start. Zarubin eased away in torrential rain within moments of the flag dropping as riders made a rolling start-Five hours later and with 114 miles behind him, the Soviet was still clear of the field but what had been an amazing advantage of more than 15 minutes had been cut back to

mere seconds.

In road racing no quarter is given and none expected. Zarubin was by now unable to raise any resistence as the cavalry charge lined up behind him, jockeying to get the sprinters into a choice position for the final dash to the line and the £1,000 first prize.
The bunch, too occupie

acknowledge a hero who had ridden the longest solo in the 33-year history of the Milk Race, caught and passed Zarubin who setters, his eclipse came during the last 25 miles ridden mainly into a head wind. But for the strong wind, I

would have won," he said. That part of the day's drama olved, more was to come. As the mass of riders swung onto the promenade, spread from gutter to gutter, there was a sudden clash of steel on concrete and 10 riders crashed. Joey McLoughlin's Ever Ready team, preparing to lead him out for the line, were hardest hit with four fallers including McLoughlin, the race winner in 1986. Gary Baker, who regained his

overall lead in the climbing competition, was the only squad memoer to escape: he managed to move on to the pavement. Twan Goenge, of The Netherlands, was taken to hospital with a suspected fractured collarbone.
Two hundred yards from the

line, their back-up men having done their job, the sprint specialists took over. For the specialists took over the line fourth time, first over the line was Jan Bogaert, of Belgi winner of stages two, fiveB and

Bogaert's victory was his 84th since turning professional 11 years ago. He has won five stages in the Australian Sun Tour and is confident that in the last two days of the Milk Race he can equal that figure. Yet he is highly unlikely to feature in the overall top 10 at the race end on Saturday as he is almost 13 minutes behind the leader. Shane Sutton, who held on to the yellow jersey yesterday for the ainth day.
Sutton, who took the lead last

Wednesday week, still leads his Banana-Falcon team colleague, Rob Holden, by 2min 40sec. The crash cost McLoughlin his seventh place overall and, losing 68 seconds on the winner, he has slipped back to seve teenth.

RESULTS: Teath stage (Penrith to More-cambe, 117 miles): 1, J Bogaert (La William), 5hr 12min 15sec: 2, F Hoste (Tulo): 3, F Augustin (EG); 4, M Lesniewski (Pol): 5, V Sapronov (USSR); 6, S Hempsell (Brittania), all same time. Overall: 1, S Sution (Benans-Falcon), 42hr Osmin 37sec: 2, F Holder (Banans-Falcon), at 2min 40sec; 3, M Vasilcek (C2), at 241: 4, D Thueux (Fr), at 2:53; 5, C Walker (Banans-Falcon), at 3:28: 6, R Poels (Noth), at 4:02. Team: 1, Banans-Falcon, 125hr 55min 58sec; 2, Tulip Computers, 126:01:39; 3, Czecho-slovakia, 126:03:57.

TODAY: Eleventh stage (Lancaster to Selford, 73 miles): Start, 10.30; finish, 13.36. Intermediate times: Whalley, 11.37;

RUGBY LEAGUE From one hothouse to another

FTOTO A CORRESPONDENT **NEW ZEALAND**

THE Great Britain team return to reality when they arrive today in Auckland for the start of their 10-match tour of New Zealand, which will include three Tests. During an unnerving three weeks in Papua New Guinea, where they lost one international and won the other, they were subjected to tear gas, stones, place invasions and an unexpected by the size of the state of the unexpectedly physical approach
to the game. Since then, the
players have been regaining
their composure in Cairns, Far
North Queensland. By the time
they arrive in Auckland, they they arrive in Auckland, they will have brought John Devereux nearer to match fitness, and will be looking forward to the arrival of Martin Offiah.

Their New Zealand programme will be no token trot among the colonials. The President's XIII, the first opposition, will be virtually a final trial for the New Zealand side, and the matches against Canterbury and Auckland, before the first inter-

matches against Canterbury and Auckland, before the first international, and Wellington, immediately after, will be closely contested.

An extended rainy season in the North Island has brought down the temperature to 40F—certainly not the sunfathing weather the touring party enjoyed in Papua New Guinea, but far more congenial for players used to English conditions.

Harry Pinner, the former St Helens, Widnes and Great Britain captain, is to join Wigan as coaching co-ordinator.

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Wright's work a credit to the pitch

shire's second XI.

THE Gloucestershire batsmen paid further tribute to the quality of the pitch at Val-entine's Park, Ilford, yesterday by scoring the 276 they needed to avoid the possibility of being asked to follow on by Essex with

Although no one came near to matching the brilliance of Mark Waugh on Wednesday, Tony Wright, the captain, played pos-itively for 92 before he was bowled by Neil Foster, the only bowier to cause serious concern.

the minimum of fuss.

By Geoffrey Wheeler failed to pick up maximum batting points, their momentum

of the coin when Hampshire

checked by some fine fielding which led to the running out of Athey and Bainbridge, the latter for a brisk 64 which included 10 boundaries. Despite the loss of an hour to the weather Essex rattled through 103 overs and something equally positive will be required to manufacture a result today.

Surrey threw down the gaunt-

let to Derbyshire at the Oval by declaring their first innings at Gloucestershire, however, 152 for two soon after Graham

Thorpe had completed his first half-century of the season.A rain-affected day was one of mixed fortunes for the Surrey left-arm spinner, Keith Medlycott who had a spell of three wickets in seven balls as Derbyshire were dismissed for

Then, with Clinton unable to bat because of a migraine attack, Medlycott became was an emergency opening batsman, only to be run out for six when his partner, Alikhan, refused what partner, Aliknan, ichosa appeared to be a safe single.

Johnson, of Nottinghamshire, hit a six and 14 fours in an unbeaten 112 while Russell Morris, who dashed to 50 in 56 minutes, was 73 not out as the University reached 118 for one, 83 behind.

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MATCH

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LEICESTERSHIRE: First trinings
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J P A Moon b Ambrose
J P Agnew c Noon b Capel
D J Milins c Capel b Penberthy
Extras (b 3, b 3, w 3, mb 3)
Extras (b 3, b 3, w 3, mb 3)

Total (88.2 overs) _______281 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8, 2-13, 3-81, 4-83, 5-112, 6-182, 7-223, 8-259, 9-259.

5-112, 6-182, 7-223, 8-259, 9-259.

BOWLING: Ambrose 23-6-54-3; Thomas 22-5-74-2; Capel 22-7-49-2; N G B Cook 6-1-17-0; Periberthy 15-2-2-61-3.

Second innings

T J Boon not out 18

"N E Briers b Capel 5

J J Whitsker c and b Capel 20

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NORTHAMPTONSHIPE: First binings

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Cook not out
Extras (to 2, w 2, nb 2)

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THE OVAL (second day of three): Destyshive, with all second-ensings wickests in trans, are 124 runs sheed of Surrey

DERBYSHINE: First limitings

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A P Kulper liw b Yourus 37

K M Kritichen c Feithern b Mediycott 38

K M Jeen-Jieques c Greig b Mediycott 25

A E Warrier c sub b Mediycott 17

S J Base b Mediycott 0

G Miller not out 10

Total (no wkt)
J E Morris, B Roberts, A P Kulper, C,
Adams, HK M Kritikum, M Jeen-Jacques, /
E Warner, S J Base and G Miller to bet. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8, 2-88. points: Surrey 5, Derbyshire 3. t: J Harris and J W Holder.

*D R Pringle. N A Foster, J H Childs and P M Such did not bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-2, 2-106, 3-847, 4-

11-1-35-0.
GLOUCESTERSHARE: First limings
"A J Wright b Foster"
G D Hodgson c sub b Foster
I P Buscher c Waugh b Foster
C W J Athey run out
P Bainbridge run out
K M Curran c Garmham b Childs
J W Lloyds not out

Newell retired not out I R Martindale c Morris b Crawley J Evans c sub b Gerrans

BOWLING: Van der Merwe 20-5-69-1 Gerrans 19-4-58-1; Crawley 15.5-4-38-1 Davies 4-0-31-0.

Umpires: K J Lyons and H J Rhodes.

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John Gadd, the Gloucester flanker sent off during the Pilkington Cup final against Bath at Twickenham on May 5, has been suspended for three months. He will miss the first four Courage Club Champ-ionship matches of what is likely to be his final first-class season.

JOIN A WORLD CLASS TEAM FOR THE BIG

YESTERDAY'S OTHER SCOREBOARDS Surrey v Derbyshire

E Warner, S J Base and G Miller
SURREY: First innings
R I Allichan c Bowler b Miller
K T Madiycott run out
G P Thorpe not out
10 M Ward not oug
Extras (b 8, w 2, nb 7) BOWLING: Jeen-Jacques 14.1-3-47-0; Base 12-1-38-0; Warner 11-2-38-0; Kulper 7-1-15-0; Miller 8-2-13-1. Essex v Gloucs

ILFORD (second day of three): Gloucestershire, with alx first-innings wickets in hand, are 136 runs behind Essex.

Total (4 wids dec) _____ core at 100 overs: 411 for 4

BOWLING: Welsh 18-2-80-0: Lawrence 11-0-57-1; Curran 19-2-83-1; Graveney 27-2-101-1; Barnbridge 18-2-85-1; Lioyds 11-1-35-0.

Score at 100 overs: 283 for 6 D A Graveney, C A Walsh and D V Lawrence to bat. FALL OF WILKETS: 1-58, 2-88, 3-111, 4-170, 5-235, 6-264.

Oxford Univ v Notts THE PARKS (second day of three): Oxford University, with nine first-innings wickets in hand, are 83 runs behind Notinghamshire NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-32, 3-92.

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YACHTING

Scheme drawn up

for new breed of

AN 11-strong team of inter-national designers put the though carbon fibre may be finishing touches last night to incorporated into the decks and

length for the BOC single-handed round the world yacht race.

No exotic construction methods will be allowed. Glass reinforced plastic and wood are

Britons miss out again

AACHEN - The British run of old, as the sole British repre

EQUESTRIANISM

Leroy coaxes Papoose

into a first-day lead

By JENNY MACARTHUR

PASCAL Leroy, a contender for for Badminton this weekend.

PASCAL Leroy, a contender for for Badminton this weekend. The second horse Parisian, which he rides today, is the better of his two horses but year-old Papoose at the end of the first day of dressage at the MacConnal-Mason Bramham International Three-Day Event in West Yorkshire.

sailing water line length of 60ft and an overall length of 65ft, which means that owners will

require a chainsaw to adapt them to the 60ft maximum length for the BOC single-handed round the world yacht

AACHEN — The British run or near misses at the Aachen show continued yesterday in the Fürstenberg Brewery prize, in which the long-striding Optie-beurs Garfield took Franke Sloophaak of the West German team to victory (Findlay David-

son writes).

The field of 62 starters was reduced to 11 for the barrage.

Emma Jane Mac, of Warwick-shire, who was well and truly in

the water with Everest Oyster, was not among them. This left Michael Whitaker on My Mesieur, a French-bred 12-year-

limits, but could equally be used for an 85ft super-maxi. The decision to include the second, larger class however, rests with the Whithread race organising committee, and not the designers. Frederick Judel, the West German designer suggested that this new breed of yacht will be slower than a maxi upwind but faster down wind where it's lighter displacement will help these boats to surf in the running conditions of the southern ocean.

A total of 48 skippers have shown interest in the new class

shown interest in the new class

sentative. Sixth to go, he could not make Sloophaak's time. Three later, Ludger Beerbaum pushed Almox Rosella over the

latter stages into second place.
The British team for today's

Nations Cup, Nick Skelton (Apollo), Joe Puri (Waysider), Mac (Everest Oyster) and Whitaker (Henderson Monsan-

ta), go first of the 11 entrants.

RESULT: Fürstenberg Brewery Prize: 1. Optobeurs Garfield (F Stoophank, WG), 0 taulis, 35.14sec; 2. Almox Rosella (L Beerbaum, WG), 0, 36.45; 3, My Mesleur (M Wintaker, GB), 0, 37.25.

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A victory for Seles

game of the match.

If there was a decisive moment amid the whirlwind,

it came in the lifth game of the

second set. The unseeded

American, her temper tested

her career by a bad line call in

the previous game, had re-

acted by winning four straight points to level the set at 2-2. In

the following game, she saved two break points but, after a

rally which increased in pace

and pitch from first hit to last,

was finally beaten by a deli-cate cross-court backband

The Yugoslav acknowledged the breakthrough by

raising her hand in the air and

then won 10 of the next 12

points to take a 5-2 lead. It was

the first sign of weakness in

the American teenager's indomitable spirit and it did

Serving for the match after

in first episode of a teenage serial

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tion, the future of women's tennis is going to be merry, bright and very noisy. Seles beat Jennifer Capriati 6-2, 6-2 on her sixth match point, but she's sick. Today she proved the scoreline was not a fair she is the No. 1 player in the the scoreline was not a fair reflection of the tightness of world," Novotna said. the match nor, it must be said, did the quality of the play live is now the youngest finalist in up to expectations. It never had a chance of doing so.

"I didn't play as well as I can and I don't think she did either. It was a difficult match mentally and physically for both of us because so much was expected," Seles

who took one game less and one minute more than Seles to reach her 13th consecutive grand slam final. The West German continued to belie the common theory that her game is not up to her usual standard nities, but because her game by arrogantly dismissing Jana lacks only experience and Novoma 6-1, 6-2. Graf has variety, both of which will won her last three matches in come with time. 66, 64 and 63 minutes, losing five, four and three games.

sial comments about the establishment last week, he would certainly endear himself

victory against the No. 3 seed.

To do so, Svensson will have to cut out the inconsistencies

that have stopped him breaking into the world top 10 over the

last three years. On his day, Svensson can match Edberg for

skill and elegance; he can also surpass him for mid-match

melancholia. He beat Ivan Lendl in the quarter-finals of the

French Open two years ago, his

best performance in a grand

after the Lendl match. Now, it is

IN BRIEF

Rivals to

face US

JO Durie and Monique Javer must forget their differences over the British tennis rankings when they team up for the Federation Cup in Atlanta next

Durie threatened never to

terday Javer, Durie, Sarah Loosemore and Clare Wood

were named as the squad to travel to the United States for

Phil Appleyard, the president of the Hockey Association, the controlling body of the game in England, has been appointed chairman of the Great Britain

Hockey Board, He succeeds Tim Morrison, of Scotland.

Steve Cram, the world mile record holder, will have his first

track race of the season in the northern championships at Grimsby. He has entered three events: the 800, 1500 and 5.000

Cram returns

Squash task

Emma Donaldson, of Scotland beat Nicky Roberts, of Alderly Edge, 9-4, 10-8, 9-1 in a regional

semi-final of the Dunlop Cham-

semi-final of the Duniop Charle-pion of Champions squash rack-cts tournament at the Lancastrian Club near Man-chester and in tonight's final meets Susan O'Brien. of Maple, who beat Alex Bostock. of Bamford, in a four-game semi-

the July 23-29 tournament.

New post

semi-finals.

From Andrew Longmore

to the authorities at Roland tet, is also the most experienced. Garros if he could conjure up a This will be his fourth semi-

mi-finals.

"I was mentally very tired the Lendl match. Now, it is another left-hander, will be in

different because I expect myself his second. If it goes beyond to win over the top players, so it is no longer such a big thing."

Austrian's strength.

IF THE 62 minutes it took game point at 2-3 in the of them. Seles had taken the Monica Seles to reach her first second set, the Czechoslovak first set and the baseline was a grand slam final is an indication, the future of women's tennis is going to be merry, bright and very noisy. Seles beat Jennifer Capriati 6-2 6-2 that Steffi is not playing, that utes, the first by Seles in the last - and most exciting -

At 16 years 6 months, Seles the history of the French Open, a fact lost somewhat in the concentration on the American's youth. But few would predict with any confidence that the freewheeling Capriati will not start another chapter at Wimbledon in a Inevitably, waiting for the No. 2 seed in the final on Saturday will be Steffi Graf, who took one same law.

Capriati should not be too cast down by defeat, not just because she is only 14 and, as Seles acknowledged, there will be plenty of other opportu-

As both players play to a frantic rhythm, there was Novotna's one chance of never going to be much time ending that run was to be for reflection. The average positive. But when the one time for the first eight games

of the French every year since 1978.

Agassi, though at 20 the youngest of the semi-final quar-

final, his second at the French

Open. "This is the only time I have got to the semi-finals and felt like I want more. That's because I'm physically fitter than before," he said.

If Svensson's match with the

American promises to be a contrast of style and rhythm, the other semi-final, between the No. 4 seed Andres Gomez and

Thomas Muster, promises to be a survival of the fittest. At the

minutes, Seles had to survive the longest game of the match and needed six glimmer of hope came on was three minutes. By the end match points before finally putting paid to the first of what will surely be the first of Svensson's chance many challenges to her command of the nursery. for the spotlight

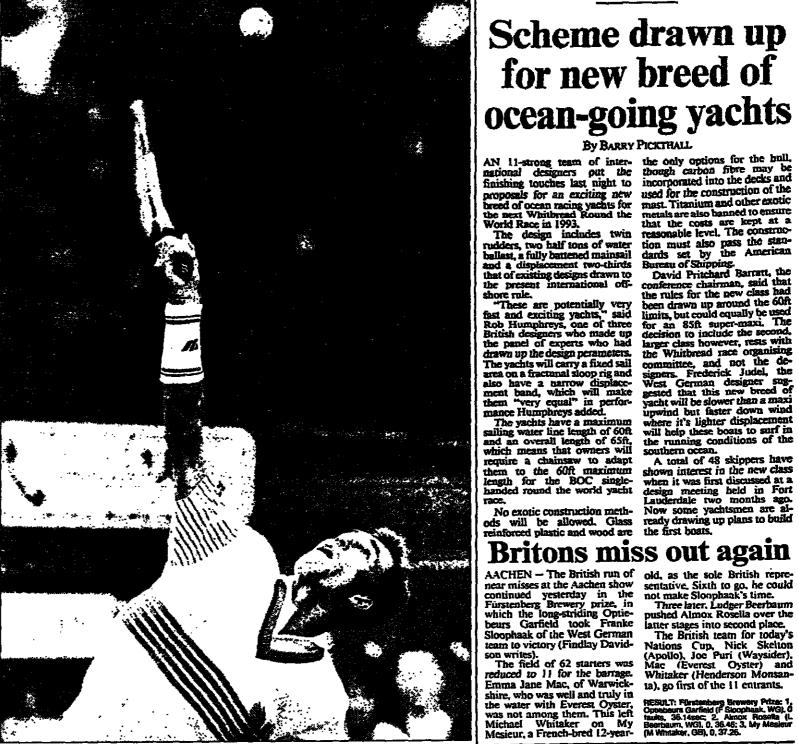
"Now I know what Steffi Graf must have felt last year when she had to play me in the semi-final. I had chances then, JONAS Svensson, the gentle Swede who has forever lived in the shadow of Stefan Edberg, has a rare opportunity to make his own name in the semi-finals of the French Open today. Svensson plays Andre Agassi and, after the latter's controversial comments about the said Svensson after his convincting victory over Leconte in the quarter-finals. By reaching the semi-finals, Svensson has also kept up a national tradition. There has been a Swede in the semi-finals of the French every year since 1978. but hadn't been there before so didn't know what to do. Now I have been in those positions before," Seles said.

"But what surprised me was how quick she was and how many balls she got back. It was always a very tight match. I can tell you that at 14 I wasn't as good as she is. There is no question, she will be around for a while."

In other words, like Navratilova and Evert, this rivalry could run and run.

WOMEN'S SINGLES: Sent-finate: S Graf (WG) bt J Novoira (Cz), 8-1, 8-2; M Sales (Yug) bt J Capriati (US), 8-2, 8-2. MEN'S DOUBLES: Sent-finate: G Ivan-isevic (Yug) and P Korda (Cz) bt J Grabb and P McEnros (US), 6-2, 2-8, 6-3; S Casal and E Sánchez (Sp) bt P Heartuts and M Kosvermens (Neth), 7-6, 8-4.

MOXED DOUBLES: Charter-finels: N
Provis (Aus) and D Visser (SA) bt T
Scheuer-Larsen and M Mortensen (Den)
7-5, 6-4, A Sanchez Vicario (Sp) and J
Lazano (Mex) bt M Pierce (Fr) and C
Campbell (SA), 6-1, 6-1, Semi-finels: N
Medivedera (USSR) and K Jones (US) bt B
Schultz and M Schapers (Neth), 6-2, 6-3.



No strain: a relaxed, confident Lendl serves forcefully during his defeat of Deppe

Late arrival sends Cash out

PAT Cash, who has courted controversy for much of his career, was defaulted from the Direct Line Insurance tour-

Stefan Edberg.

Describing it as "one of the most difficult decisions of my career", Sultan Gangji, the tournament referee, had no choice but to invoke the rule that a player should be defaulted if he is not ready to along 15 minutes. is not ready to play 15 minutes after the match has been called. Having called the match at 12.35pm, a walkover was awarded to the frustrated Edberg at 12.50. Cash arrived on site at approximately 1.10, had what was politely described as

lovely little pitch and run to

three feet.
This will be Casselss' last

Amateur. He proposes to turn professional in a couple of months' time. But victory might

followed an unfinished women's match that began at noon. "He was told specifically what time he was on." Gangii said.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

Mounting trouble for

London over mole hills

By RICHARD WETHERELL

THE latest series of matches in While happy with the "result" it the National Division Managers had cost the Bulls and their

Direct Line Insurance tour-nament at Beckenham yesterday after failing to arrive in time for his much-heralded match with Stefan Edberg.

There as no, "Gangi said.
Cash has little excuse. There is an understanding within the game that a player should be on site when the match preceding his own begins. That ensures there are no problems if a delay occurs in getting to the courts.
But because of relatively poor court conditions at Beckenham, Cash chose to prepare elsewhere.

A tournament official, Ste-phen Davis, said: "We would reserve judgement on whether we would invite Cash again."

On court, meanwhile, Ivan Lendl enjoyed another untroubled victory, defeating Royce Deppe, of South Africa, 6-2, 6-3. The world No. 1 looked supremely confident.

Stefan Edberg eventually managed to get on court and

the National Division Managers
Association (NDMA), which
saw all the leading sides win,
was dominated by the unfortunate events at Copthall Stadium, Barnet, where the London

Ravens were due to play the Birmingham Bulls.

Two weeks ago the Ravens had to switch their home game

against Chelmsford Cherokee to Chelmsford because of com-

plaints about the poor quality of

the pitch. Hoping to clarify the position, David Webb, the Bulls

manager, rang the Ravens 10

days before their game. At that stage the pitch was said to be in a satisfactory condition and the

game was on. Then it was off, then back on, then off, and two

But when the Bulls arrived they were told by the referees that because mole holes had been filled in with fine sand the

descated John Fitzgerald 6-2, 6-DERYS SINGLES: Second round: K Curren (SA) bt. J Tarrango (US), 6-4, 6-3, M Woodlords (Aug) bt G Muller (SA), 8-7, 6-2, 6-3, M Woodlords (Aug) bt G Muller (SA), 8-7, 6-2, 6-4; R Despe (SA) bt G Van Emburgh (SA), 7-6, 3-5, 6-3; P Sempras (US) bt C Sacaseu (WG), 6-3, 8-2; R Leach (US) bt A Casate (198), 6-4, 8-6; D MacPherson (Aug) bt D Sapaton (GG), 7-5, 6-4; R Weles (US) bt J Battes (GG), 6-4, 3-6, 6-4; P American (Aug); D Hy Reg (US), 6-4, 6-8, 6-4; P American (US) bt J Turner (Avon), 6-4, 4-6, 6-4; P American (US), 15-1, 12 Alf (mills), 7-5, 6-3; S Devries (US) bt R Reneberg (US), 3-8, 6-4, 6-3; D Boths (SA) bt G Van Reneberg (US), 3-8, 6-4, 6-3; D Boths (SA) bt G Van Reneberg (US), 7-8, 2-6, 7-8, Third recent: I Lend (C2) bt R Despe (SA), 6-2, 6-3; Etherg bt J Fitzgerald (Aug), 5-2, 6-2; Etherg bt J Fitzgerald (Aug), 5-2, 6-2. WOMERS S SINGLES: Second round: J Salmon (GB) bt C Lindqvist (Swe), 6-4, 6-4; P Fendick (US) 14-8, Fonder (US) 14-5, 7-6-4, 7-6-4.

supporters a lot of money to travel to London.

Of the games which did take

place there were few surprises apart from the relatively low score, 27-0, with which the Northants Storm beat the Bournemouth Bobcats. Given the course never a faire of the course manual faire stores are stored to the course from the cour

the porous nature of the Storms'

defense and the highscoring leats of the Bobcats, second only

commerce in Toulouse six months ago to concentrate on eventing, has had problems in the past keeping the volatile Papoose calm in the dressage arena. Tactful riding yesterday (Aus), 5-2, 5-2
WOMEN'S SENGLES: Second round:
Salmon (GB) bit C Lindqvist (See), 5-4, 6-4. P
Fendick (US) bit A Simpler (GB), 6-3, 7-6, N
Myagi (Lingar) bit N Hochomid (Aus), 5-7, 6-4,
7-6: G Fernandez (US) bit S Gomer (GB), 6-2,
5-1: E Incue (Lincar) bit R Gaddle (SA), 6-0,
5-6; D Feiber (US) bit H Lindid (US), 7-5, 6-2,
T Tancel (Lingar) bit R Field (SA), 6-3, 8-1; S
COBINS (US) bit A Gavaldon (US), 6-2, 2-6, 7-6;
A Minter (Lingar) bit R Frence (CR), 6-2, 7-6;
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A Minter (Lingar) bit R Frence (CR), 6-2, 7-6; - and the lack of an atmosphere around the near-deserted dres-Collins (US) bt A Clavaldon (US), 6-2, 2-6, 7-6; A Minter (Aus) bt B Bornao (CB), 6-2, 5-7, 6-1; A Coetzer (SA) bt E Platf (WG), 6-3, 6-2; J Henrieringon (Can) bt C Delitings (Swe), 3-6, 6-1, 6-4. Third round: R White (US) bt J Selmon, 8-1, 7-8; S Collins (US) bt T Tarrappi (Jep.), 6-3, 6-1; A Minter (Aus) bt A Coetzer (SA), 6-3, 1-8, 6-1; G Framendaz (US)) bt B Cordwell (NZ), 6-3, 6-2.

MARC ASPLAND

in West Yorkshire.

Leroy, who gave up his job in

roduced a relaxed,

Charles's pace decisive

THE first of the new Olympic format Soling series in British waters was completed yesterday RESULTS: Soling class: First spetch & RESULTS: Soling

Charles swiftly dispatched Dave Tabb in the opening race by superior boatspeed. In the second, more equal, semi-final Graham Bailey outfoxed his adversary, Rory Bowman. In their match to decide third place. Bowman won the first

to the Storms, a clean sheet was the last thing to be expected. The Manchester Spartans, who play their city rivals the Allstars this weekend, kept their unbeaten record with a 28-17 victory over Leeds Cougars. Chris Thomas again did sterling work in a losing side with two touchdowns and 170 rushing yards. This took his total for the season to 1,058, the first to rush for more than 1 000 yards.

for more than 1,000 yards. NUMET CLASS.
RESULTS: Crosse and Blackwall Stakes: 1,
S Mapleson's Riversody (G Billington); 2,
Wessex Conservatories' Wessex Samboy (P
Sunton); 3,5mb's Construction PLC's A Little
Trouble (J Samith). Spillers Galde C: 1, S
Williams' Bricon; 2, Bricoby S Maybe Not; 3, G
Moore's Gorde's Girl (S Williams). Showing After losing to last years finalists in successive weeks, the Cougars face another tough game against Leicester Panthers who have a record of 4-1.

sage arena — produced a relaxed, accurate test putting him just over a mark ahead of Chris Hunnable on Chain Reaction. Hunnable on Chain Reaction. Christopher Barde, the Olympic dressage rider, is in third place on Bill Giles. Hunnable intends to qualify RESULTS (after first day of dressage): 1. Pagoose (P Loroy, Fr), 53.40; 2, Chain place on Bill Giles. (C Bardis, 55.80; 4, Cabelva Moon (G Law), 55.20; equal 5, Just Dison (D Rissic) and Kyang (E Bene, WG), 56.80.

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ground which is likely to tax the stamina of the horses.

The pair were tenth at

Osberton last year and, while several riders here, including

Law, are looking no further than

safe, clear rounds on tomor-

row's cross country course, Hunnable, refreshingly, is "hav-

The riders' main concern for

tomorrow's 27-fence cross coun-

Charles, R Cruidishank and J Santy bit D Tabb, M Borntt and S McClean, 2-0. Second metch: G Balley, M Coyell and P Setby bt R Bowman, T Stevens and M Ingram, 2-0. Losen's famil: B Bowman bt D Tabb, 2-0. Final: G Charles bt G Salley, 2in Hayling Bay with Glyn Charles handing out a decisive two-race win over Graham Bai-ley in the best-of-three-race final (Roger Lean-Vercoe writes). Tamb, 2-0. Finals G Charries of G Salley, 2-0. Firm European championship: Fiths race: 1, S Westergaard (Den); 2, H Spitzauer (Austriel; 3, L Hjorrhaes (Den); Overalt: 1, S Westergaard (Den); 2.H Spitzauer (Austria); 3, O Blumencron (Switz).

race, but lost the second start after fouling Tabb.

Linford Christie is set for an After completing his 270 pen-alty turn, Bowman ate into Tabb's lead, finally overhauling Crystal Palace on Sunday.

Showdown

Time for celebration

CARNIVAL Time, an eight-year-old grey gelding owned by R Claydon and ridden by Nigel Oliver, took the championship on the opening day of the Royal Cornwall Show yesterday, hav-ing earlier won his lightweight hunter class.

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS

MILAN: Eight-nestion meeting: Winsers: Merc 200m; t Wilsers: (US), 20.63. 600m; W Tanud (Ker), 1 min 46.62 sec. 1.500m; H Phelipobau (Fr.), 3.08.68.3,000m; F Truebaut (Fr.), 75.08.3,000m; eteropischuser: F Paresta (tr.), 829.32. Truble (semp; 1.50pth), (ISSR), 5.70m. Discuss: J Martinez (Lubat), 83.42m, 110m hardles: S Caresca (Fr.), 13.5, Hermene: J Astaphonch (USSR), 79.94m. 4 x 400m; USSR), 5.304.99. Women: 200m; L Lespherwood (US), 2.34.100m hardles: N Crypthews (USSR), 12.76. Cost time of year; Hophysia (USSR), 10.5Fl), 6.15.4m. Sheet: N Shebicerton (USSR), 10.5Fl), 6.15.4m. Sheet: N Shebicerton (USSR), 11.94m. 4 x 400m; USSR), 12.95. Sheet: N Shebicerton (USSR), 10.5Fl, 6.15.4m. Sheet: N Shebicerton (USSR), 10.5Fl, 6.15.4m. Sheet: NSR, 23.65.6, Final standings: Meet: USSR, 112 pas; 2, France, 110.5; 3, United States, 108. Women: USSR, 102.2, US, 75; 3, Insly, 71. EAST BERLINE Women's 800m; C Wacrtisl (EG), 1min 57.41 sec (Dest once of year); 2, S Woders (EG), 158.83.

BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: San Francisco Gianta 3, Cincinnati Reds 2 (11 inns); San Diago Padres 3, Houston Astros 2: New York Mets 4, Montreal Expos 3: Philisturph Praises 6, Chicago Cuba 1; St. Louis Cardinals 12, Philadelphia Phillips 11 (10 inns); Los Angeles Doogoer 7, Alianta Braves 5.

AMÉRICAN LEAGUE: Niversona Twins 12. Toronto Bau Jays 8: Boston Red Sox 4, New York Yankees 1; Detroit Tigers 6, Cleveland Indians 4; Chicago White Sox 5. Seattle Misnians 0; California Angels 6, Kanéas City Royals 2; Batteriore Croiles 8, Millieutices Brewers 7; Oddand Athletics 5, Texas Rangers 4.

week before the Masiers, revealed glimpses of his true ability when he played 12 holes in even par.

Severiano Ballesteros, the dual Masters champion, struggled to two over par after 14 holes and appeared destined to finish the first round near the rear of the field.

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nasidstone 45 1.19. Betramy 134-7; MCC 189-5; Eastbourne 135. In home team NTER-LEAGUE MATCHES: Arun Valley Langue 82, Fullers Suntry Langue 83-0; Norm Kent Langue 170, Protestal East Kent Langue 174-6; Eve Suntry Championship Pinst Direct 125-5, Save and Prosper Southern Langue 95-5. CRIER MATCH: Witahire Association 291-9 (D Turner 120, J Spencer 74); Devon Association 185 (G Bruit-Jeckson 82), Willishire won by 105 runs. EQUESTRIANISM

ARDJAGLV: South of England show: American International Underwritare Trophy: 1, Everest Gelert (B Mandi: 2, Mar & Miller (Tuted): 3, Mrs. M. Battes' Guerden (A Fazakerley, Seehoard Snookus chemponshipt 1, Lady Indicago's Everest Minist (Niss M Edgar): 2, Mrs. A Miller's Exployerus; 3, Brock Soviet Carver (R Sneth). Risiden Hunters Lightweight 1, Jard Reserve Campon Bally Horse Feets, Witchial Thintong, Biblidenedght 1, Mr and Mrs. J. Rouding's Ballymorgen. Macryweight 1, Jard Chismpon) S McCormack's Wiles Griffen. Ladler: 1, Wristlad Thristing, Poor Breading champion: Mr Shelle Winte's Startyn Deignt. Reserve: Mrs. V Richardson's Outward Touch of Class.

BOWLS

SQUASH RACKETS SQUASH RACKETS

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Southgard) of M White (Mat Mill), 9-0, 9-1, 9-2,
L Fernando (Ostdeigh Parid by D Clarice
Prince's), 9-3, 9-5, 9-2, 9-3-1, Wassens: S
Lawrence (Bimpas) by S Johnson (Estrany)
Sports), 6-9, 9-4, 9-6, 7-8, 9-2; S Wall
Grenthisti) by J Comish (Cambriandin I-2, 9-2,
10-9, Home Counties South Hear E Noyce
(Commone) by J Martin (Purity Squash), 9-0,
9-1, 8-10, 9-7; A Abou Taleb (Beday) by M
Westrup (Tumbridge Wests), 8-0, 8-7, 9-3,
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Davis (Wimbeldon Stadium), 9-2, 9-2-9-2, J
Condin (Coless, Thamse Discor) by M Many
(New Etham), 4-9, 10-9, 10-4, 9-4, North
England; Martin Martin (Purity Martingon)
Semigen (Gusen's Town), 9-6, 9-4, 9-2,
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(Hull and East Riding), 9-7, 9-0, 9-4; G Topise
(Ponesfrant) by P Steamphorpe) by A Lawrion
(Hull and East Riding), 9-7, 9-0, 9-4; G Topise
(Ponesfrant) by P Astempt (Namingon), 9-6, 9-3,
4-9, 1-9, 9-3; H Nuttel (West Lancashire) by P
Hulphas (Manchester Northern), 9-3, 9-5, 7-8,
9-4, Westers: S O'Brien (Marche) by A Bossock
(Bardord), 9-5, 9-1, 7-9, 9-1; E Donetison
(Williage Prestwich) bt N Roberts (Adenty
Edge), 9-4, 10-8, 9-1,
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Robinson and J Formonger (Edg.), 2-4, Nelssen
and F Bach (Denk); 3, 14 ppm and J Feddersen

Robinson and J Ironnonger (GB); 2, K Nalsen and F Bach (Denk); 3, J Holm and J Fedoersen (Den); 4, 8, Lange and H Jess (WG); 2, J Moglier and J Hansen (Den).

FOOTBALL INTERNATIONAL MATCHES: Beiglum 1. Poland 1 (in Brussels); Norway 1, Dermark 2 (in Oslo). (in Delo). LUXEMBOURG CUP: Finel: AS Differdange 3, Swift Hosperange 3 (set). YACHTING

FRIN CLASS EUROPEAN CHAMPIONISHIP: Fourth cape: 1. S Wessergeard (Den): 2. 7 Schmid (W Ged): 3. H Spitzauer (Austria). British pheliogis: 17. TTavinor: 29. R Lott: 30, R McMiller: Overall: 8 Westergaard (Den): 2, D Burnercom (Switz): 3, J Melidia (Fin).

SPEEDWAY

eves on Europ

Two for Reid Brian Reid, of Ulster, made it

two TT wins in four years when he rode his 600cc FZR Yamaha to an easy victory in yesterday's Supersport 600 150-mile race on the Isle of Man.

Hearing move

The disciplinary hearing to investigate allegations that the shooker player. Alex Higgins, threatened the life of a fellow professional, Dennis Taylor, during the World Cup, and also assaulted an official following his first round descal in the Embassy World Championship. has been postponed from June 17 until July 1, in Bristol.

Three in row

Ray Reardon was beaten 5-4 in the first round of the Asian Open at Blackpool yesterday by Gino Rigitano, of Canada. It was the third first-round match

Anglo-French honours even

By JOHN HENNESSY

TWO Anglo-French encounters been wider but for Evans' shortin the Amateur Championship at Muirfield yesterday ended with honours even, which may set an admirable example in a wider sphere in these troubled

First, Gary Evans beat Christopher Poittier by two and one and then Olivier Edmond, the play for Britain again after being relegated to second in the rankings behind Javer earlier this year. But the British women's director, Ann Jones, later diffused the situation. Yes-French junior champion, beat Kevin Weeks, a former English champion, by the same margin. Evans and Edmond tied for first place in the English Open stroke-play championship (Brabazon Trophy), which would add a special spice to this afternoon's semi-finals, suppos-

ing they were both to advance one stage further. Weeks was four down with four to play, won the 15th with a good four and the short 16th with a two, but he could not contrive the further birdie he

needed at the next. Evans turned one up, prin-

game short comings.

A four at the 12th put Evans, clearly the better player on the day, two up, but a monster put at the 15th, all of 50 feet, pegged him back once more. He atoned however for earlier lapses, including a failure from one foot at the 11th, with a huge putt himself from 40 feet, at the 16th. Pointier, like Weeks before him, could not fashion a hirdie at the could not fashion a birdie at the 16th.

Craig Cassells. a runner-up last year, survived a cliff-hanger against Gavin Lawrie when he had been five up after only eight holes. Lawric whittled away Cassells' lead to only one hole by the 14th, but a three putt on the 15th then allowed Cassells to

might have been crucial, but

cipally because his opponent made a hash of the two long holes. The margin would have

Clark moves into lead and nurses his 'grouse'

turn in 32, and three more birdies brought him back in 33.

Clark shares the lead with

Johan Rystrom while Ian Woosnam seems to have done a

handy repair job on his ailing

putting stroke, holing three 12-footers in a round of 70.

about his prospects next week.

But Clark would so if he had to

LEADING FIRST ROUND SCORES (GB

LEADING FIRST ROUND SCORES (GB and Ire unless \$100.00 St. H. Clark, J. Rystrom (Swe), 65: P. Curry, G. Hjertstedt (Swe), anabeur), C. Perry (Aus), J. R. Karlsson (Swe), 67: J. Morgan, A. Jimkesz (Sp), P. McWhinney (Aus), J. Berenott (Arg), P. Senkor (Aus), J. Curros (Sp), P. Carrigill, S. Bottomley, 68: M. Harwood (Aus), C. Stadler (US), T. Hederstrom (Swe), A. Forsbrand (Swe) 68: S. Skythen, D. J. Russell, R. Sabenros (Sp), R. Shearer (Aus), C. Mordgomens, M. Larriner (Swe), G. Brand (Jun, P. Parkin, H.-P. Thuei (WC), J. Daville (Sp), D. Ligwethyn, To M. Apancio (Sp), R. Ratferfy, V. Sargh (Fé), I. Wooshem, J. Rutladge (Carl), G. Turner, P. Teravannan (US), S. Richardson, M. Jonsson (Swe), B. Ogie (Aus), 71: J. Slaughter (US), M. Sunesson (Swe), M. Davis, M. Pendanes (Fri, O. Selberg (Swe), D. A. Russell, R. Chapman, J.-M. Carluzerès (Sp), M. Marton (Sp).

play all four rounds on stilts.

Woosnam is non-committal

From MEL WEBB, DROTTNINGHOLM, SWEDEN

APPROPRIATELY, it was a television screen "hoping for a fair-haired hero who strode down the final fairway to the to complete the job in hand. applause of an equally blond He had an eagle two at the 208-yard 1st when he hit a thin gallery. A beautifully played chip and run from a sandy lie set shot from just off the green and saw it disappear from 20 yards up his sixth birdie of the day. The crowd were beside away. Putts of 25 feet at the third, 18 feet at the fifth and five themselves. feet at the eighth took him to the

The only complication from the Swedish point of view was that the flaxen hair belonged to Howard Clark, of Yorkshire and England, who with a round of 65, seven under par, shared the lead after the first round of the Scandinavian Enterprise Open yesterday.

Clark, aged 35, thus took an important step to ending a twoyear spell without a win on the European Tour. If he still leads on Sunday, it will give weight to an irritation never far from his

Clark's grouse concerns the US Open, in which eight fellow Europeans will be playing next week, and in which he has never been invited to play. "I've never had an invitation

in 16 years on tour." he said.
Two been in the top five in the Order of Merit three times. I've won 12 times, and played in five Ryder Cups. I'd love to play in it just once, but I'm beginning to be resigned to the fact that I

won't now."
Clark will be taking next week was the third first-round match in a row that Reardon had lost.

change that.

Change that.

RESULTS: Third round: A Sandywell (Astbury) at G Kennedy (US), 8 and 7: R Muntz (Neth) bi A Nicholson (Middlesbrough), 4 and 3; E Nistn (III) bi G Miller (Swanston), 8 and 7: J Carvil (Westernpont) bi W Bryson (Drumpeller), 6 and 4: G Lawrie (Prestwick St Nicholas) bi J Payne (Sendiends), 1 hole: C Cassells (Muncar) bi L White (Wolleton Park), 4 and 3: N Walson (Baingham) bi W Hewlett (Royal Blackheett), 2 and 7; G Winter (Skloth-on-Sohway) bi M McGure (Drayton Park), 2 holes; F J Johnson (Cardiff) bi C Curtisieri (Lufiness New), 1 hole: C Pottiser (Fr) bi J Fanegan (Miktoren), 5 and 4: G Evans (Worthing) bi D Clarke (Dunganton), 7 and 6: O Edmond (Fr) bi T Spence (Sundridge Park), 2 and 1: K Weeks (Brokenhurst Manor) bi B Eggo (L'Arcesse), 2 and 1: G Wolstenholme (Bristol and Cifton) bi A Hill (Bramhall), 5 and 3: G Pooley (Madenham) bi J Bickarton (Droithich), at 19th; M Maccars (Maestur) bi L Parsons (Aus), 3 and 2. POURTH ROUND: Muntz bi Sandywell, 5 and 4: Carvill bi Nistni, 1 hole: Cassalls bi Lawrie, 2 hole; Winter bi Walton, 1 hole: Johnson bi Pooley, 1 hole: Evans bi Pottber, 2 and 1; Edmond bi Weeks, 2 and 1 Maccars bi Wolstenholme, at 23rd.

cassells disappointingly lost the long 17th to a five and drove into the rough at the last, which

Stewart takes advantage of mild weather

From a CORRESPONDENT CHICAGO

RAY Stewart, of Canada, a battling non-winner in five sea-sons on the American Tour, left a world-class field in his wake when he carded a round of 65, seven under par, in the first round of the US Western Open Stewart, aged 36, was out with the first group of the day and he took full advantage of the mild, calm, early morning conditions to gather eight birdies and one

bogey on the Butler national course. His 65 was only one stroke shy of the course record of the American. Bob Gilder. With half the field either back in the clubhouse or on the course. Stewart held a substantial four-stroke lead over the American, John Huston, and Mark McCumber, while Jose-Maria Olazabal, of Spain, headed the European contingent at two under par with one hole to play.

Sandy Lyle, who has not

pitch was dangerous and un-playable. The game was awarded to the Bulls by the minimum score possible, 2-0.

BASEBALL

Auson 6-54). SCHOOLS MATCHES: Forly Club 169-2 (Pusey 102 not out), "City of London 124: "Maistone GS 139. Betramy 134-7; MCC 199-5, "Eastbourne 135.

ARDINGLY: South of England show: Ameri-

BLACKPOOL: StormSeal UK Chemplom-shipe: Secend round: J O'Boya (Eng) bt M Morra (Carr), 5-5: J Grech (Mass) bt J Sponcer (Eng), 6-1: J Watters (Thish) bt A Herris (Eng), 6-3: N Bond (Eng) bt J Rea (Sco), 6-1: C Rocca (Wates) bt V Herris (Eng), 6-1: Wing (Aus) bt K Doheny (Eng), 6-3: B Praches (Eng) bt E Huphes (Rep of Irs), 6-3: B O'Hor (Eng) bt J McLaughtin (N Irs), 6-5: D Morgan (Wates) bt I Williamson (Eng), 6-3: D Roc (Eng) bt D (Sibort (Eng), 6-4: (Eng), 6-4.

BLACKPOOL: Asian Open champlonship:
Pirst round: N Terry (Eng) bt V Harris (Eng), 5C; T Murphy (N Ire) bt J Prince (N Ire), 5-2; B
Harris (Eng) bt S Magkath (Eng), 5-2; R Gad
(Eng) bt E Lawlor (Eng), 5-3; B Oliver (Eng) bt P
Watchorn (Ire), 5-4; R Lawler (Eng) bt G
Bremby (Eng), 5-1; J Whittaker (Eng) bt G
Scott (Eng), 5-2; S Campball (ENg) bt G Natale
(Can), 5-3; N Dyson (Eng) bt A McManus
(Scot), 5-3; B Prinches (Eng) bt J Whittimead
(Eng), 5-3; C Weers (Eng) bt J Wintimead
(Eng), 5-3; G Replanno (Can) bt R Reperton
Walsel, 5-4; M Dernogton (Eng) bt E Sanckar
(Scot), 5-4; M Breatley (Eng) bt P Gaboon (Eng),
5-4; D Campball (Exc) bt G Miles (Eng), 5-3.

● TENNIS: 47

League drop Swindon to third division

By DENNIS SHAW

SWINDON TOWN were last night demoted from the first division to the third division in an unprecedented punishment by the Football League. Swindon had pleaded guilty to 35 of 36 charges of making illegal payments to players over a four-year period.

The League management committee hopes to meet within 48 hours to discuss the implications of the decision. Who will take Swindon's place in the first di-vision: Sheffield Wednesday, who were due to be relegated, or Sunderland, runners-up in the play-off final? And who will make way for Swindon in the third: Bournemouth, due to be relegated, or Tranmere Rovers, beaten in the third division promotion play-off

The League management committee announced the sentence after an eight-hour meeting at Villa Park yesterday. The penalty will stun their manager, Osvaldo Ardiles, who led them into the first division place for the first time with their play-off win over Sunderland at Wembley last week, and who had threatened to resign if the club were demoted before leaving for a break in Argentina.

Swindon were also ordered to pay compensation to six clubs deemed to have been affected by the illegal payments.

The League statement said that the 36 charges, with one excep-tion, involved payments in breach of League regulations to eight players dating back to 1985. The charges also referred to payments to a number of unspecified players players concerned in the illegal payments are at present with the

The League, showing little mercy, said one effect of the payments was to understate the players' earnings; this, in turn, may have led the League appeals committee to award a depressed figure when assessing compensation to be paid if these players

It stressed that during this period the club gained promotion from the fourth division to the first. As a result, in addition to being relegated by two divisions, they have to pay compensation (yet to be decided) to clubs from whom they bought players: Bristol Rovers for Tim Parkin, Southampton for John Gittens, Mansfield Town for Colin Calderwood, Sheffield United for

Steve Foley, Derby County for Ross McLaren, and Exeter City for Martin Ling.

Now the appeals committee will meet to assess the further compensation Swindon have to pay to these clubs "in the light of the now known facts relating to each player's true remuneration".

Swindon's directors were severely censured and reminded of their responsibilities as directors of a Football League club.

Arising out of the deliberations

yesterday, the management com-mittee will set up a further commission to consider charges against a number of present and former directors, officials and players.

Swindon have also been ordered to pay the full costs of the commission, but they have a right Swindon supporters will be stunned by the severity of the verdict and could well face the loss of the manager who took them so briefly to the first division. He was visiting his friends in Argentina while the commission went through its deliberations.

The nearest precedents for the decision was more than 20 years when both Peterborough United and Port Vale were demoted by one division for making illegal payments. The management committee

was represented by Sir John Smith, the former Liverpool chairman, Michael St Clair, of York City, and Arthur Sandford, the League's chief executive. Swindon's delegation was Gary

Herbert, the chairman, Colin Hayward, the vice chairman, and Lionel Smart and Nicholas Arkell, the directors, Cecil Green, the president, and an auditor.

Herbert, deeply disturbed at the judgement, said: "I would ask our supporters to remain calm and give the club a short time to consider making an appeal. I'm shattered, devastated. I never thought that this would happen.

Alan McLoughlin, who played a key role in Swindon's success last season, was distraught when told of the decision in Malta last night, where he is preparing for the World Cup finals with the Republic of Irealand squad. He was told of the news by his girlfriend and at first did mot believe it. "I'm bitterly disappointed," he said.
"All I can do now is concentrate on the World Cup".

McLoughlin, along with Fraser Digby, the goalkeeper, and defender David Kerslake are the most likely players to attract the attention of first division clubs

Before the commission sat. Don Rogers, a member of the Swindon team which beat Arsenal in the League Cup final in 1969, pre-sented a 44,000-signature petition on behalf of supporters in an attempt to safeguard Swindon's first division place.

Swindon's plight follows earlier revelations about betting irregu-larities by Brian Hillier, the former chairman, and Lou Macari, their manager until last year. Hillier and Macari are awaiting

trial on charges of tax evasion. The financial problems behind the scenes at Swindon were initiated by a Sunday newspaper exposure. This led to investigations first by the Football League, then the Inland Revenue and the

England find light in the gloom Question mark

By Alan Lee cricket correspondent

against England.

THERE are days in this game when the kindest thing a captain can do for his team is to lose the toss. This was one

New Zealand, committed to batting first as the Comhill series opened, found fickle weather conspiring with the England bowlers to make conditions as unfriendly as

It would be stretching a point to praise the England bowling too highly - far too much was short or wide for that - but on a fragmented day, in variable light and on a pitch freshened more than once by squally showers, the odds were stacked in their

How much damage Richard Hadlee might have caused, in these conditions, hardly bears thinking about. England, spared such an ordeal, themselves made encouraging in-roads into New Zealand's prolific batting. In the brightest weather of the day, Martin Crowe showed it was still possible for the quality player to prosper but, shortly before the end of the extra hour, he, too, perished.

In truth, this was a deflating start to the summer's Test cricket. Trent Bridge was substantially less than half full advertising boards until the and those who were here, huddled against an autumnal wind, could not find it in them and said as much to the Test to create any sort of at- and County Cricket Board mosphere. The cricket was suspicious and attritional, as befitted the first sparring between two teams scheduled to see quite enough of each other in the next 18 months, even before yesterday's surprising announcement that England's tour next winter will, after all,

TRENT BRIDGE (New Zea- months by yet another gratuland won toss): New Zealand itous three-match one-day se-have scored 171 for five wickets ries in New Zealand.

The sparring had actually begun some days ago, with the baffling saga of Chris Lewis's fitness tests. To nobody's surprise, he failed the last of them, which at least had the benefit of ensuring that spin would be represented on both

Small's opening over was startlingly poor. Franklin did not need to play at a single ball and the umpire, Dickie Bird, twice cautioned Small for following through on the pitch. From the other end, Malcolm operated well short of full venom, as if discouraged by the sluggish pitch even before the game had

Bird, bespectacled for the first time in a Test match, was soon casting familiarly anxious glances at the darkening sky and on the stroke of noon came the first of four breaks for rain. Wright's concentration was done no favours and, on the resumption, he pushed diffidently at a legside bail from Small and scooped it to

short leg.

The light, in this brief session, was desperate and New Zealand were fortunate to escape further harsh losses. When rain fell again, the the covers from behind the pitch had taken quite a dousing. Wright was unamused representatives on hand.

Within this staccato session Mike Newell appeared as England's substitute fielder remarkable, in as much that he was 20 not out, for Nottinghamshire against Oxford be extended beyond four from a first-class match sim-

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Out of reach: Jones clips the hall past Russell, the England wicketkeeper, at Trent Bridge yesterday

ply to carry drinks and different plane. His first ball was driven through extra After an early lunch and cover for four, rapidly folanother, longer interruption. lowed by two fours and a six, Jones flicked Small down the over mid-wicket, off Hemmings.

legside and Russell managed to get only a despairing left Malcolm's second wicket T hand to it. Franklin, meancame from a wide long hop which Jones clubbed to cover. while, had not scored a run since 11.46, 14 overs ago. This Stewart leaped to clutch the stagnant period was enlivened catch. Greatbatch has seldom failed in his Test career, hence when DeFreitas bowled one of his best and unluckiest spells an average of 61, but he made for England, regularly moving only one here before playing inside the line against the ball away from the righthanders without finding the Hemmings. Priest, on his first edge. The regulations now appearance, survived a difficonfusingly stipulated a late tea. Franklin fell in the last cult last hour, and one last, disruptive shower. By then, over of the session, bowled off there were few left in the his pads as Malcolm slanted the ball into him. ground to see DeFreitas gain belated reward by beating

TRENT BRIDGE SCOREBOARD

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		68	49	MATIS	Belle
T J Franklin b Malcolm	33				
*J G Wright c Stewart b Small					45
A H Jones c Stewart b Malcolm	39	•	4	142	108
M D Crowe b Defreitas			_		94
M J Greatbetch b Hernmings					8
M-W Priest not out	23	-	1	71	54
M.W Priest not out M.C Snedden not out Extras (b 1 lb 6 w 1)	8	-	-	7	9
Total (For 5 wkts)	171				
†I D S Smith, R J Hadlee, D K Morrison to bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-16, 2-75, 3-110, 4-121, 5-170					

BOWLING: Small 22-7-36-1 (5-2-6-0: 10-5-11-1: 7-0-19-0); Malcolm 19-7-48-2 (6-3-5-0: 11-3-37-2: 2-1-6-0); Hemmings 19-6-47-1 (4-3-4-0: 15-3-43-1); DeFreitas 15-3-33-1 (12-2-25-0: 3-1-8-1).

Crowe elevated the day to a Crowe's defences, A route to spinners' salvation

By JOHN WOODCOCK

AFTER four Test matches in West Indies without a spinner in their side, England yes-terday included one. A good thing, too. And yet, had there not been some doubt about Lewis's fitness, one wonders whether Hemmings would be playing. The spinners' lot in cricket today seems to be directly related to the way the law as it concerns persistent short-pitched bowling is given such depressingly short shrift.

I am beginning to think that limited-overs cricket, rel-atively modern though it is, now has more in common with the game as it is best played than much of what we call first-class cricket. In West Indies, Hemmings was an important member of England's one-day side. Come

was no place for him. In his last two years with Hampshire, Nigel Cowley, another off spinner, played in only five championship matches but seldom missed a one-day game. Sussex include two leg spinners in their Sunday league side, but only one, if that, in the championship.

The reason is, of course, that the merchants of fear, they who break fingers and dent helmets, are obliged by the regulations to bowl a fuller length in one-day cricket. If short-pitched fast bowling, whether used defensively or to intimidate, should be allowed to creep into the one-day game - and evidently there were signs of this happening in the one-day international at the Oval - here, too, the spinner would very soon become

The way to get him back. and of making sure that England never again go through a series without one, is not, to my mind, through longer matches but by introducing a version of the oneday regulation which strictly limits the use of short-pitched, intimidatory bowling into the first-class game. The modern player and aspiring umpires may be too young to know it, and the West Indians might not approve, but it would make a much better game — and West Indies would still excel because they are so naturally gifted.

Because of the atmosphere and the movement there was in the pitch, the quicker bowlers were well suited yes-terday to doing the work. DeFreitas will never be unluckier than he was during the afternoon. As he kept passing the bat outside the off stump off a full length, be it noted -England could thank their lucky stars that they themselves were not batting against

Watching the "new" Mal-colm for the first time I got the impression that he was holding himself in. He ran a very long way at much the same pace, a good example of someone who would have been just as effective if a bowler's run-up were re-stricted to, say, 25 yards. I know how fast he can bowl, but he beat no one by sheer speed. That much we could tell from the new William Clarke stand. But don't blame us if there are times when we get our lines wrong. No one would choose to report a cricket match from deep mid-

that is hanging over Maradona From DAVID MILLER

AND STUART JONES

DIEGO Maradona, the Argentina captain, looking lean and fit for the start of the World Cup finals in Milan tonight against Cameroon, said last night that the pressures of being at the top for 10 years had not reduced his appetite for football.

Ever since he emerged in the national team aged 18 in 1979, Maradona has persistentily been the target of intimidating tactics from defenders all over the world. Under provocation in 1982 in Spain, he was sent off, but four years later captained Argentina to victory

"I still take the game very seriously" he said. "I have been trained to be a winner, and I shall live with the pressures for another three or four years. In this World Cup you will see me very committed".

That commitment has led Dr John Crane, the England his future health for the sake of the World Cup. The Argenreceiving a cortisone injection Bilardo evaded the point and every day and additional

depotsteroid, on match days to ease the pain in his damaged back. The quantity, in Crane's opinion, could lead to physical deterioration later in life.

"Cortisone is produced naturally in the body by the adrenal gland," he said yesterday. "Like any substance administered into the body, it suppresses the natural product. I'm reluctant to use it to treat an injury but an acceptable level would be one injection a month. If that is the level Maradona is using, he is putting himself at risk."

The football world waits to see whether Maradona can reproduce the scintillating form which was the spearhead of Argentina's performance follow suit.



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four years ago. Since then, he has been involved repeatedly in rifts with the club and allegations that he was unfit. Unsurprisingly, he has had injury problems.

In view of this, it was surprising that yesterday, Carlos Bilardo, Argentina's manager, announced a team which suggested that Maradona would be playing in the front line of attack, where he will most be exposed to intimidatteam physician, to suggest that ing tackling, rather than in Maradona could be sacrificing midfield, where he might have escaped some of the pressure.

In answering questions on tina captain is believed to be his selection and tactics, said that Argentina would doses of the drug, have to adapt to all tactical situations. It was the football coach's classic "no comment"

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response to probing questions. By this evening, we shall know what are his, and Maradona's plans; indeed. whether Maradona is able to help Argentina mount a serious challenge for the defence of their title.

• ROME: All 12 Italian cities which stage World Cup matches will ban sales of alcohol on match days (Reuter reports). Local authorities in eight cities have already decided on bans following a strong recommendation from the Interior Minister, Antonio Gava, to help avert violence and Rome, Genoa, Naples and Udine are expected to

Tour cyclist Kimmage admits taking drugs

PAUL Kimmage, the former through injection," he is Irish professional cycling team colleague of Stephen Roche, handy, as it could be carried drugs in the sport.

in the soup" or broken the law of silence within the peloton. amme while riding between

two and 21/2 hours before the expected finish of a race. It could be taken in tablet or

has emerged as one of the first and taken discreetly; but riders to write about the use of because it had to pass through the stomach, the effects were In a book called A Rough slower and not as good. Injec-Ride, published yesterday by tion straight into the muscle Stanley Paul (£12.95), gave almost instant reaction Kimmage admits that, after and was much stronger, but it setting his face against taking was awkward as this meant drugs, he finally succumbed.

Now, according to the current issue of Cycling Weekly,

Kimmage went on to take Kimmage went on to take

Kimmage has, to use the amphetamines again but the continental expression, "spat guilt never left him. The arguments for and against would always rage in his head. He claims that riders inject themselves with amphet-Kimmage quit the sport for

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Backley betters Raty, but falls short of record

ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

STEVE Backley, Britain's World Cup javelin winner, defeated the world champion, Seppo Raty, as Britain beat Finland in an international match in the Olympic stadium here yesterday. However, he was not quite up to the form he showed on Sunday, when he came within 64 centimetres of the world record in the United Kingdom

championships. Backley got the better of Raty with his third-round throw of 84.04 metres, responding to the Finn's

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second-round distance of 83.92 metres, which equalled his personal best. Backley's weekend performance demonstrated that the world record of 89.10m, held by Patrik Boden, of Sweden, is within his range, and it was thought that Raty might push him to it.

After his winning third round throw, Backley fouled on the fourth, passed on the fifth, and reached 80.78 on the last. This was one of those Frank Dick special productions, which make Vikings out of Sea Scouts. There were 31 newcomers to the senior ship and, by the time Dick had

finished his pep talk, they were left

It was emphasised to the first-timers that, with Britain's talents such as they are, fixture senior vests would be hard to come by.

The 400 metres hurdles was the starting point. Bob Brown, aged 20, from Leeds, showed the way to winning on your senior international debut, recording 51.42sec, and the rest followed.

Jason Livingston - or Baby Ben as Linford Christie calls him because of his Ben Johnson features - is growing up fast. He reached the European final in his senior indoor debut in March and won here on his outdoor debut, His 10.63sec was,

some way off his best after his usual bullet-like start let him down.

Three more debut wins quickly followed: Mary Kitson in the 800 metres (2min 04.16sec), Andrew Tulloch in the 110 metres burdles (13.84sec), and Courtney Rumbolt in the 200 metres.

The pep talk worked rather too well in the women's sprints. Bev Kinch, not selected for the 100 metres, ran as a guest, and was the first Briton to finish - in 11.73sec. behind Sisko Hanhijoki (11.70sec). As if that was not galling enough for the selectors, Sally-Anne Short ran as a guest in the 200 metres and beat the three selected British women, winning in 23.41sec. John Gladwin, hardly a new-

comer, must have felt as though be was. Suffering a back injury in 1987 and in 1988, he has been unable to develop the potential he showed as a 23-year-old when, in 1986, he won the Commonwealth silver medal for 1500m and was among the fastest in the world with 3min 35.26sec. Already this season he has run a mile in 3min 53.6sec, and, although his time yesterday for 1500m, 3min 41.71sec, was ordinary, the win will have done him good.